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# ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS

A	amp(s)	ampere(s)
AR		as required
Asf		Amperes per square foot
aux.		auxiliary
avg.		average
BET		method for measuring surface area by gas adsorption
°C		degrees Celsius (centigrade)
cc		cubic centimeter
cfm		cubic feet per minute
cm <sup>2</sup>		centimeter squared
CO <sub>2</sub>		Carbon Dioxide
Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>		Cesium Carbonate
CsHCO <sub>3</sub>		Cesium Bicarbonate
dc		direct current
DP		dew point
DPDT		Double Pole Double Through
DS-16		Code name for HDC Cathode (fabricated by Hamilton Standard)
E/C ARS		Electrochemical Air Revitalization System
F		Fraction of reservoir volume unutilized
°F		degrees Fahrenheit
Ft		foot

ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS (CONT'D)

G.F.E.	Government Furnished Equipment
g	grams
H <sub>2</sub>	hydrogen
HCO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	Bicarbonate Ion
HDC	Hydrogen Depolarized Carbon Dioxide Concentrator
Hsg	housing
Hg	mercury
hr	hour
H <sub>2</sub> O	water
H <sub>2</sub> S	Hydrogen Sulfide
H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>	Sulfuric Acid
I	current
i	current density
in.	inches
IR	voltage drop
k	kilo
K	kelvin temperature
kg	kilogram
kPa	kilo Pascals
lb	pound
max.	maximum

ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS (CONT'D)

mA/cm <sup>2</sup>	milliAmpere per square centimeter
mg/cm <sup>3</sup>	milligrams per cubic centimeter
min	minute
ml	milliliter
mm	millimeter
mmHg	millimeters mercury
mPa	milli-Pascals
Mv	free electrolyte volume in the matrix
mV	millivolt
N <sub>2</sub>	nitrogen
Nom.	nominal
O <sub>2</sub>	oxygen
P	pressure
Pa	Pascals (unit of pressure equal to 1 Newton/meter <sup>2</sup> )
psi	pounds per square inch
psia	pounds per square inch absolute
psig	pounds per square inch gauge
P <sub>H<sub>2</sub>O</sub>	Partial Pressure of Water Vapor
P <sub>O<sub>2</sub></sub>	Partial Pressure of Oxygen
P <sub>CO<sub>2</sub></sub>	Partial Pressure of Carbon Dioxide
P/N	Part Number
PPF	Code name for HDC Anode (Mfg. by P&W)



ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS (CONT'D)

ppm	Part Per Million
P&WA	Pratt & Whitney Aircraft, Division of United Technologies Corporation
R	Resistance (ohms)
Rec.	Receive
Rv	Reservoir volume
R.H.	Relative Humidity
S	Specific Volume Ratio of Electrolyte
scc	standard cubic centimeter
SCFM	Standard Cubic Feet per Minute
sec	second
SEC	Code Name for Experimental Electrode
SEM	Scanning Electron Microscope
S/N	Serial Number
SSP	Space Station Prototype
T	Temperature
T <sub>in</sub>	Inlet Temperature
TMA	Tetramethylammonium
TMAC	Tetramethylammonium Carbonate
UAC*	United Aircraft Corporation
Vac	Volts alternating current
Vdc	Volts direct current

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\*The name of United Aircraft Corporation was changed to United Technologies Corporation on May 1, 1975.

ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS (CONCLUDED)

WVE            Water Vapor Electrolysis

wt.            weight

wt. %          weight percent

~              Approximate

≈              Approximately Equals

Δ              Delta

=              Equals

<              Less Than

μ              Micro ( $10^{-6}$ )

%              Percent

## FOREWORD

This report was prepared by Hamilton Standard, Division of the United Technologies Corporation, for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's Johnson Space Center, in accordance with contract NAS 9-13679. This report describes the work accomplished during the period of November 1973 through June 1975, in performing the One Man Electrochemical Air Revitalization System (One Man E/C ARS) program. This effort consisted of detailed system design, cell pair and system fabrication and testing, and delivery of the unit to the NASA.

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## DEFINITIONS

<u>Cell</u>	Electrochemical cell consisting of an anode, matrix with electrolyte, and cathode.
<u>Cell Pair</u>	Two cell packages with back to back hydrogen electrodes which share a common hydrogen chamber, housing and reservoir assemblies.
<u>Concentration Over-Voltage</u>	Voltage loss due to electrolyte concentration differences between electrodes.
<u>Dry Out</u>	The condition of the cell, due to the loss of water, when the volume of the electrolyte is insufficient to fill the matrix completely.
<u>Flooding</u>	The condition of the cell when the electrolyte has absorbed an amount of water which results in an electrolyte volume exceeding the capacity of the cell matrix and electrodes.
<u>H<sub>2</sub> Crossover</u>	Occurs at dry out of the matrix and allows hydrogen and oxygen to pass through the matrix.
<u>IR Check</u>	Measurement of IR drop by current interruption.
<u>IR Drop</u>	Voltage loss due to pure ohmic resistance.
<u>Potential Sweeps</u>	A programmed potential change--usually a triangular wave.
<u>Reservoir</u>	A porous material which absorbs the excess electrolyte during cell flooding and returns it to the matrix during drying conditions.
<u>Steady State Operation</u>	The operating condition when the cell voltage and current do not change significantly with time.
<u>Tafel Slope</u>	The slope of the Tafel curve.

### SUMMARY

The objectives of this program to design, fabricate and test an integrated Water Vapor Electrolysis (WVE)/Hydrogen Depolarized CO<sub>2</sub> Concentrator (HDC) system sized for one man support over a wide range of inlet air conditions, were accomplished. The One Man Electrochemical Air Revitalization System (One Man E/C ARS), illustrated in figure 1, was designed to integrate four WVE cell pairs and four HDC cell pairs into one package, with a second package designed to control and monitor the operation of the system. The test program proved that an integrated WVE/HDC system is a practical and feasible concept for a portable air revitalization "window unit" that is applicable for spacecraft or other life support requirements.

In addition, the test results obtained from one hundred and ten days of testing the One Man E/C ARS provided parametric data on the system's performance at three inlet air partial pressure of carbon dioxide (PCO<sub>2</sub>) levels, six HDC operating currents and one WVE current level. This data verified that the One Man E/C ARS provides the necessary oxygen (0.998 kg/day), carbon dioxide removal (0.998 kg/day) and partial humidity control to support one man (without exceeding a cabin PCO<sub>2</sub> level of 3.0 mmHg and while maintaining a 20 percent O<sub>2</sub> level), when operated at a WVE current of 50 amperes and an HDC current of 18 amperes.

A study to determine means for utilizing the HDC power output revealed a concept of operating the WVE and HDC units electrically in series. This concept when fully executed would have the WVE and HDC cell pairs sized to obtain 100 percent utilization of the HDC power and minimum WVE power usage for a totally integrated WVE/HDC system based on operating the HDC cell pairs at the peak CO<sub>2</sub> removal efficiency, and the WVE cell pairs at optimum current density. However, the HDC power to be utilized represents only about two percent of the total 340 watts power required for the One Man E/C ARS.

An evaluation to determine the physical properties of tetramethylammonium bicarbonate and hydroxide was made. These data, when combined with the tetramethylammonium carbonate (TMAC) data obtained under a previous NASA contract (NAS 9-12920), provide the necessary electrolyte information for designing an HDC cell using TMAC.

Items delivered to the NASA included the two One Man E/C ARS packages, a system Familiarization and Operations Manual, and a complete set of micro-filmed detail drawings. The various aspects of reliability, safety and maintenance were stressed throughout the program's design, fabrication and testing.

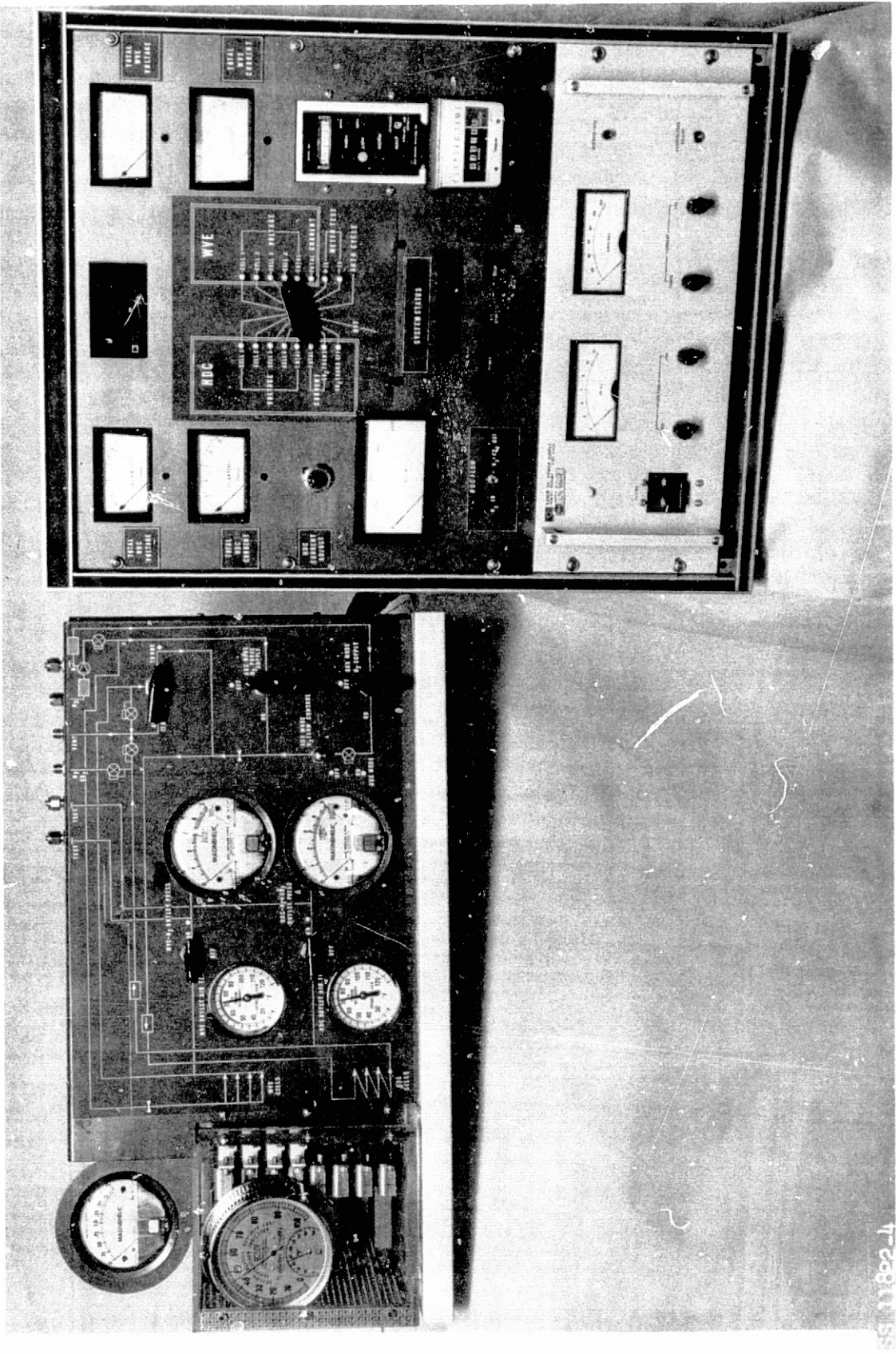


FIGURE 1 ONE MAN ELECTROCHEMICAL AIR REVITALIZATION SYSTEM

In addition to successfully meeting the above requirements for the One Man E/C ARS, the following were verified:

- . Minimal WVE voltage degradation of  $8\mu$  volts/hr.
- . Average WVE cell voltage of 1.7 volts at a current density of  $53.8 \text{ mA/cm}^2$  (50 Asf).
- . A short term reversible voltage decay associated with the HDC. Automatic anode reactivation for the HDC cells allows them to operate continuously at a current of 18 amperes.
- . A long term HDC voltage decay rate of  $30\mu$  volts/hr at 18 amperes which is well within the design goal decay rate limit of  $50\mu$  volts/hr, maximum.

The accomplishments obtained on this program met or exceeded the requirements of the contract's statement of work summarized in Table I.

"Calculations and data pertaining to this program, were made in U.S. customary units and then converted to SI units".

TABLE I CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS VERSUS PROGRAM ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Contract Requirements	Program Accomplishments
Evaluate the integrated WVE/HDC concept as a portable Air Revitalization System.	Testing of the One Man E/C ARS proved this concept is practical and feasible as a "window type" ARS.
System will be limited to A-C power, and N <sub>2</sub> gas for auxiliary supplies.	A-C power of 110 and 220 volts plus N <sub>2</sub> purge gas are the only auxiliary needs of the One Man E/C ARS.
The system shall be:	
Reliable	The 110 day failure-free test duration proves the system's reliability.
Easily maintained	The cell pair concept and system packaging provides an easily maintained unit.
Simple to operate	The present One Man E/C ARS has only two controls, HDC current and WVE current. Future systems can be made with only one current controller by operating the WVE and HDC's in series.
Provisions for performance monitoring at HDC and WVE subsystem and cell pair level will be made.	All requested parameters are monitored plus the additional parameters of: CO <sub>2</sub> removal efficiency, elapsed time, combustible gas level and an auto-cycle which automatically displays all the monitored parameters in sequence.
System will have controls for normal operation and automatic shutdown in case of system failure.	Controls for the normal operation plus three auxiliary modes of operation are provided, including automatic shutdown for each mode in case of system or test facility malfunction.
The system will have operational tolerance over 35 to 90 percent relative humidity range.	System tests were conducted mostly (95 percent) at 70 percent relative humidity, however, inlet air conditions did include a range of 20 to 80 percent relative humidity during various facility malfunctions
Performance of the system will sustain one man for O <sub>2</sub> ; CO <sub>2</sub> removal and partial humidity control.	System tests verified:
Provide 0.834 kg O <sub>2</sub> /day	<div style="margin-left: 40px;"> O<sub>2</sub> Production = 1.423 kg O<sub>2</sub>/day                    -0.512 kg O<sub>2</sub>/day HDC consumption                    0.911 kg O<sub>2</sub>/day to cabin </div>
Remove 0.998 kg CO <sub>2</sub> /day at P <sub>CO<sub>2</sub></sub> of 3 mmHg.	<div style="margin-left: 40px;"> CO<sub>2</sub> Removal = 1.02 kg CO<sub>2</sub>/day at P<sub>CO<sub>2</sub></sub> of 3 mmHg </div>
	<div style="margin-left: 40px;"> H<sub>2</sub>O Consumed = 1.610 kg H<sub>2</sub>O/day                    -0.580 kg H<sub>2</sub>O/day produced by HDC                    1.030 kg H<sub>2</sub>O/day removed from cabin </div>
The HDC power will be utilized.	A concept for 100 percent utilization of the HFC power was derived (operating WVE/HDC's electrically in series) but not incorporated in the One Man E/C ARS because of the cost. Present system uses approximately 20 percent of the HDC power.
Contract change to determine the physical properties of TMA was made.	The physical properties of TMA electrolyte were determined. A separate report was submitted.
To complete the defined program within the negotiated funds.	The program was successfully completed within the funding provided by the contract.



## INTRODUCTION

This program was conducted in accordance with NASA contract NAS 9-13679 to design, fabricate and test a One Man Electrochemical Air Revitalization System.

NASA contract NAS 9-13679 is a follow-on to NASA contract NAS 9-12920 which provided:

- . Detailed characteristics of the HDC electrolyte.
- . New HDC electrodes (DS-16-0 & PPF).
- . Verification of improved HDC CO<sub>2</sub> removal rate and decreased long term power degradation.
- . Verification that the present cell pair design (common to both HDC and WVE) is capable of withstanding launch vibrations levels.

This contract (NAS 9-13679) continued the development of the integrated WVE/HDC concept for O<sub>2</sub> generation, CO<sub>2</sub> removal and supplemental humidity control of a spacecraft, by providing for the design, fabrication and extensive testing of an engineering prototype One Man E/C ARS.

This program was revised during the course of the program to 1) determine the properties of tetramethylammonium bicarbonate and hydroxide, and 2) allow an investigation of the change in HDC performance at the cell pair level.

## CONCLUSIONS

The results of this program for the design, fabrication and testing of a One Man Electrochemical Air Revitalization System lead to the following conclusions:

- Testing of the One Man E/C ARS proved that the integrated WVE/HDC system is a practical and feasible concept for a portable air revitalization "window unit" that is applicable for spacecraft or other life support requirements.
- The One Man E/C ARS, when operated at a WVE current of 50 amperes and a HDC current of 18 amperes, will provide the cabin with the additional oxygen (0.998 kg/day) and CO<sub>2</sub> removal (0.998 kg/day which prevents the cabin air PCO<sub>2</sub> from exceeding 3 mmHg) to sustain one man.
- One hundred percent utilization of the HDC power output can be obtained by combining the WVE and HDC cells electrically in series, rather than in separate circuits as in this One Man E/C ARS. However, this HDC power output is only 7.2 watts, representing only 2.1 percent of the total power used by the One Man E/C ARS.
- To obtain maximum savings of the power used by the One Man E/C ARS, the HDC's should be operated at the current level where peak CO<sub>2</sub> removal efficiency occurs. For the TMAC electrolyte HDC cell pairs developed during this program, this optimum current level is 14 amperes for cabin PCO<sub>2</sub> levels of 2.5 to 3.0 mmHg.
- Changing the HDC matrix material from fuel cell asbestos (chrysotile) to asbestos-neoprene (blue asbestos) reduced the long term voltage decay of approximately 200  $\mu$  volts/hr to less than 30  $\mu$  volts/hr, versus the design objective of 50  $\mu$  volts/hr maximum.
- The average voltage decay rate of the WVE cells was less than 8  $\mu$  volts/hr.
- The change in the CO<sub>2</sub> removal capability of the HDC's as a function of time was insignificant, and less than the instrumentation accuracy.
- There is a reversible short term voltage decay associated with the HDC's. However, the voltage can be restored to its original value by reactivation of the anode by a short (10 second) nitrogen gas purge. This short term voltage delay is due to the formation of "reduced CO<sub>2</sub>" on the anode surface which is oxidized off during the N<sub>2</sub> purge.

- . Periodic reactivation of the HDC anode enables continuous operation of these cells at 18 amperes with a very minor system penalty of 7.5 grams nitrogen/day (0.0165 lb/day).
- . The electrical resistance of the TMA electrolyte is 3.3 times greater than that of the cesium carbonate electrolyte.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on the various study conclusions, cell pair and One Man E/C ARS test results of this program, the following recommendations are made:

- . Operating the WVE and HDC units electrically in series will provide 100 percent utilization of the HDC power output without complex controls or auxiliary equipment. This operational concept should be used in future integrated WVE/HDC systems.
- . Sizing of future WVE and HDC cell pairs should not be restricted by the concept of hardware commonality between the HDC and WVE cell pairs, but should have the respective cell pairs sized for maximum CO<sub>2</sub> removal efficiency, HDC power utilization and total system power conservation.

## DISCUSSION

The discussion of the results obtained from this program is separated into six sections. These sections correspond to the major areas of activity that were performed during the program and are titled:

- . Design
- . System Fabrication
- . Test Program
- . HDC Electrolyte Properties
- . Preparation for Delivery
- . Reliability/Quality Assurance/Safety Summary

## DESIGN

The objective of the design task was to define and provide a detail design of a One Man E/C ARS to meet the system requirements as stated in the NAS 9-13679 contract Statement of Work. The discussion of the design section is, therefore, divided into three parts; system design requirements, system design, and detail design & component descriptions.

### System Design Requirements

The following general design requirements, reference Table II, are pertinent to the One Man E/C ARS, which will provide the required oxygen, CO<sub>2</sub> removal and moisture removal (supplement to cabin heat exchanger removal) in the air revitalization for one man.

TABLE II DESIGN DATA/REQUIREMENTS

VEHICLE	
System Operating Parameters	Value
Cabin total pressure, kPa (psia)	101 (14.7)
Cabin oxygen partial pressure, kPa (psia) (To be maintained by oxygen generator).	22 (3.2)
Cabin temperature, K (°F)	291.45 to 297.05 (65 to 75)
CO <sub>2</sub> partial pressure, Pa (mmHg)	333 to 400 (2.5 to 3.0)
Operational gravity, g's	0 to 1
Dew Point, K (°F)	289.85 to 280.93 (62 to 46)
CREW	
Perspiration and respiration, kg H <sub>2</sub> O/man/day (lb H <sub>2</sub> O/man/day)	
Nominal	1.50 (3.31)
Minimum (18.3°C cabin temperature)	0.594 (1.31)
Maximum (23.9°C cabin temperature)	3.67 (8.09)
Metabolic Oxygen Consumption, kg O <sub>2</sub> /man/day	
Nominal	0.834 (1.84)
Minimum	0.766 (1.69)
Maximum*	0.998 (2.20)
CO <sub>2</sub> Production, kg CO <sub>2</sub> /man/day (lb CO <sub>2</sub> /man/day)	
Nominal	1.0 (2.20)
Minimum	0.871 (1.92)
Maximum**	1.22 (2.68)

ONE MAN E/C ARS

The system should be portable and shall not require any auxiliary equipment other than power for operation. It should also be reliable, easily maintained and simple in operation.

The system shall have provisions for monitoring individual cell voltages and system voltages, pressures, temperatures, flow rates, and effluent H<sub>2</sub>, CO<sub>2</sub> and/or O<sub>2</sub> gas, etc. The primary system parameters shall be displayed to confirm proper operation.

The system shall have controls which maintain WVE and HDC operation at constant current levels and provide automatic system shutdown in case of facility or system failure.

Cell Pair Hardware

To meet program costs, the WVE and HDC cell pair design is constrained to using the existing cell pair housings fabricated on previous NASA contracts.

System Operating Parameters (not included by Statement of Work)

	Value
N <sub>2</sub> purge gas, kPa (psia)	122 (3)
H <sub>2</sub> vent for system kPa (psia)	101.0 (14.7)
DC power for WVE's -- power supply provided by NASA JSC.	

System Packaging

The system should consist of two packages; a cell pair package and an instrumentation/control package.

System Operation

The One Man E/C ARS should be designed to operate as an integrated WVE/HDC system as well as being capable of independent WVE and HDC operation. Provisions will also be made to permit operation at various HDC and WVE current levels and various air flow-rates.

\*Will occur at high relative humidity conditions.

\*\*Will last only eight hours maximum during a 24-hour period.

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## System Design

The One Man E/C ARS was designed to meet the design requirements listed in Table II, in addition to providing maximum flexibility with regard to test parameters, system operating modes, system controls, power utilization, performance monitoring, safety features, and ease of system maintenance. The One Man E/C ARS consists of two packages, one containing the cell pairs, valving and blower, and the other package containing all the electrical controls and monitoring instrumentation. This design concept provides a small cell pair package, which can easily be installed in a test chamber for providing the desired inlet air conditions, and a control package that can be set up outside the test chamber for ease of monitoring the system performance and setting the system controls.

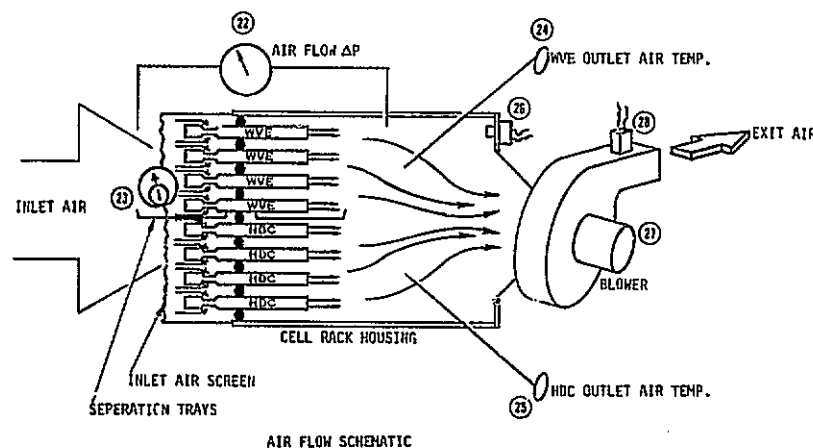
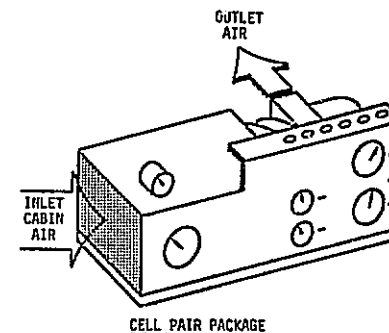
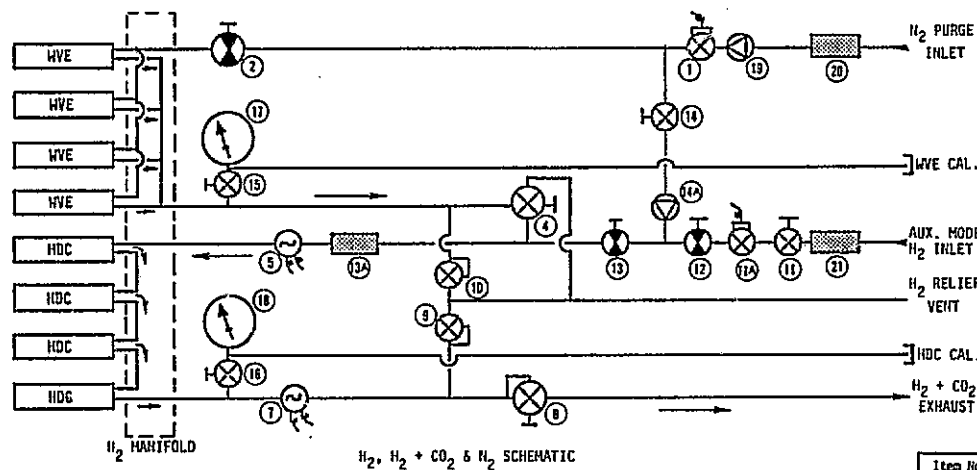
### Cell Pair Package

The cell pair package, illustration figure 2, contains four WVE cell pairs, four HDC cell pairs, a cell pair rack/manifold housing, external valving, instrumentation and an air blower.

The eight cell pairs (4 HDC and 4 WVE) are held in a horizontal position in a "plexiglass" housing by means of side slots into which the sides of the cell pairs slide. This housing also incorporates a hydrogen manifold which connects the hydrogen inlet and outlets of the cell pairs (cell pair H<sub>2</sub> probe) into the correct flow path. Attached to the rear of this housing is a blower which provides the air flow.

Air is drawn through each cell pair, arranged in parallel air flow paths, by a blower located on the downstream side of the cell pairs. This air provides the water vapor for WVE electrolysis and the CO<sub>2</sub> for HDC removal. It also provides cooling of the cell pairs and an exhaust for the liberated oxygen from the WVE to return to the cabin atmosphere. Variation in the rate of air flow is provided by changing orifice plates on the blower exhaust port. The WVE is powered by a controlled dc current source for electrolyzing the water removed from the air. The H<sub>2</sub> produced by the WVE is manifolded from each cell pair in a parallel manner to a common outlet port. As shown on the schematic of figure 2 the external plumbing of this H<sub>2</sub> gas prior to entering the HDC cell pairs includes the following components.

- A pressure gauge to monitor the WVE backpressure. This gauge has an inlet shut-off valve to isolate it from the system for periodic calibration, using a test port.



Item No.	Component Description	Vendor
1	Solenoid Valve, Normally Open	Skinner
2	Metering Valve	Rupro
3	WVE (4) Cell Pairs	Hamilton Standard
4	3-Way Ball Valve	Whitby
5	Flow Sensor (H <sub>2</sub> )	Tylan
6	HDC (4) Cell Pairs	Hamilton Standard
7	Flow Sensor (H <sub>2</sub> +CO <sub>2</sub> )	Tylan
8	Pressure Regulator 20.6 mPa (3psig)	Tescom
9	Relief Valve (HDC) 34.48 mPa (5psig)	Circle Seal
10	Relief Valve (WVE) 34.48 mPa (5psig)	Circle Seal
11*	On-Off Ball Valve Aux. H <sub>2</sub>	Whitby
11A	Solenoid Valve Normally Closed	Skinner
12*	Metering Valve Aux. H <sub>2</sub>	Rupro
13	Metering Valve Aux. H <sub>2</sub>	Rupro
13A	1/40" Filter	Hamilton Standard
14*	On-Off Ball Valve Aux. H <sub>2</sub>	Whitby
14A	Check Valve	Rupro
15*	On-Off Ball Valve WVE Press. Gauge	Whitby
16*	On-Off Ball Valve HDC Press. Gauge	Whitby
17*	Pressure Gauge, Magnehelic, WVE 0-5 psig	Dwyer
18*	Pressure Gauge, Magnehelic, HDC 0-5 psig	Dwyer
19	Check Valve	Rupro
20	Filter H <sub>2</sub> Inlet	Rupro
21	Filter Aux. H <sub>2</sub> Inlet	Dwyer
22*	ΔP Gauge, Magnehelic Air Flow 90-2 in. H <sub>2</sub> O	Dwyer
23*	Combined Relative Humidity/Temp. Gauge Inlet Air	Cole Parmer
24*	Temp. Gauge, WVE Air Outlet (25-125 F)	Cole Parmer
25*	Temp. Gauge, HDC Air Outlet (25-125 F)	Cole Parmer
26	Combustible Gas Sensor	General Monitors
27	Blower	Rotron
28	Air Flow Sensor Switch	Rotron

\* Panel Mounted Component

FIGURE 2 CELL PAIR PACKAGE



- . A 20.68 kPa (3 psi) relief valve to protect the WVE from H<sub>2</sub> over-pressure which would exceed the WVE matrix bubble point. The exhaust of this relief valve is connected to a H<sub>2</sub> vent system (NASA facility interface).
- . A three-way ball valve for directing the WVE produced H<sub>2</sub> to the HDC or to the H<sub>2</sub> vent for the auxiliary mode.
- . A LiOH filter, which will absorb any possible trace of WVE electrolyte carryover in the H<sub>2</sub> flow. This was added after the initial system testing as a preventive measure to insure no possible way of the sulfuric acid electrolyte entering the HDC cells.
- . A mass flow sensor to measure the H<sub>2</sub> flow just prior to its entry into the HDC hydrogen manifold. The actual meter readout of this flow is located on the instrumentation/control panel.

The H<sub>2</sub> manifold connects the HDC cell pairs in a series flow path where a portion of the H<sub>2</sub> is consumed by the HDC and CO<sub>2</sub> that was removed from the air stream is exhausted into the H<sub>2</sub> flow. The H<sub>2</sub> + CO<sub>2</sub> exits the HDC manifold and the external plumbing includes the following components:

- . A mass flow sensor, which measures this flow, and its meter readout which is located on the instrumentation/control package panel.
- . A pressure gauge to monitor the HDC backpressure. This gauge has an inlet shut-off valve to isolate it from the system for periodic calibration.
- . A 20.68 kPa (3 psi) relief valve to protect the HDC from over-pressure.
- . A 6.89 kPa (1 psi) backpressure regulator to maintain a positive H<sub>2</sub> system pressure to insure against the possibility of air entering the H<sub>2</sub> system. This regulator exhausts the H<sub>2</sub> + CO<sub>2</sub> to the NASA interface.

The auxiliary mode of the cell pair package allows the WVE and the HDC to be operated independently. That is accomplished by switching the H<sub>2</sub> from the WVE to the vent using the three-way ball valve, and supplying the HDC with facility hydrogen through the following valving:

- . A H<sub>2</sub> supply port to interface with NASA H<sub>2</sub> facility gas is provided. This port also provides a protective filter for the downstream metering valves of the system.

- . A manual on-off ball valve, a normally closed solenoid valve for automatic shutdown, and a fine metering valve to regulate the inflow of  $H_2$  to the HDC cell pairs. This auxiliary  $H_2$  gas enters the main  $H_2$  system just upstream of the mass flow sensor on the inlet to the HDC.

Other auxiliary modes of operating the WVE only or the HDC only are provided also, by similar valve positioning. The actual sequencing of setting up the system to operate in its normal or auxiliary modes is defined in the systems Operation/Maintenance Manual.

Prior to the startup and upon shutdown of the One Man E/C ARS, a nitrogen purge is required. This purge gas, supplied by the NASA facility, enters the cell pair package through a filter and a check valve. This check valve prevents the possibility of  $H_2$  flowing back into the  $N_2$  supply system. The  $N_2$  purge gas is automatically controlled by a normally open solenoid valve and a metering valve for the standard startup mode and all automatic or manual shutdowns. When the system is used in the auxiliary mode, the  $N_2$  purge for the HDC is controlled by a ball valve and a separate metering valve.

The cell pair package contains the following instrumentation and safety devices:

- . Two temperature dials that display the outlet air temperature of the WVE and HDC cell pairs.
- . A relative humidity gauge that measures the inlet air relative humidity and temperature.
- . A differential pressure gauge that measures the  $\Delta P$  of the air flow across the cell pairs.
- . An air flow sensor located on the exhaust of the blower, to sense low system air flow.
- . A combustible gas detector sensor element located in the downstream air flow, to sense any excessive  $H_2$  leakage.

The cell pair rack/manifold housing, the air blower and the display panel, to which all of the external plumbing and instrumentation is attached, are mounted on a unistrut support base. This base/frame allows ease of handling the package and a secure mounting base for the larger components of the package.

Cell Pair and Package Sizing.- The selection of the number of cell pairs,\* air flow and overall system integration to meet the requirements of Table II, was based on test data and experience of previous WVE/HDC programs (NAS 9-11830 and NAS 9-12920). The following is a detailed analysis of the component sizing.

HDC Cell Pair.- Parametric testing on a small cell (1/24 standard cell pair area), with TMAC electrolyte over an air inlet relative humidity range of 33 percent to 89 percent at 294.25 K (70°F) showed no significant effect of relative humidity on CO<sub>2</sub> transfer efficiency. An air volume flow rate, equivalent to 4.72 liters/sec (10 cfm) or greater on the full size cell, had no effect on the CO<sub>2</sub> transfer efficiency at P<sub>CO2</sub> above 133 Pa (1.0 mmHg). At a CO<sub>2</sub> partial pressure of 33.3 Pa (0.25 mmHg) and an air flow rate of 4.72 liters/sec (10 cfm), the CO<sub>2</sub> mass transport limitations were significant. These were minimized at air flow rates equivalent to 11.3 liters/sec (24 cfm). Figure 3 shows the effect of current density on the CO<sub>2</sub> transfer efficiency at three different P<sub>CO2</sub> levels. There is a rapid drop off in efficiency with increasing current density but the absolute amount of CO<sub>2</sub> processed increases slightly (figure 4). At P<sub>CO2</sub> of 400 Pa (3 mmHg), experience has shown that there is a more rapid decrease in the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> processed when the current is reduced below 19.4 mA/cm<sup>2</sup> (18 Asf). For this reason 19.4 mA/cm<sup>2</sup> (18 Asf) was chosen as the nominal current density for the cell pair.

The CO<sub>2</sub> removal efficiency of the HDC cell pair using TMAC was 75 percent to 80 percent at P<sub>CO2</sub> of 400 Pa (3.0 mmHg). Allowing for a 10 percent safety factor (efficiency of 72 percent), the system is sized as follows:

- . Nominal CO<sub>2</sub> production (design requirement) 1.0 kg CO<sub>2</sub>/day/man.
- . At 100 percent efficiency, CO<sub>2</sub> is removed at a rate 19.7 g CO<sub>2</sub>/day/amp.
- .  $(1.0 \text{ kg CO}_2/\text{day}) \frac{1}{19.7 \text{ g CO}_2/\text{day/amps}} = 51.0 \text{ amps @ 100 percent efficiency.}$
- . HDC at 19.4 mA/cm<sup>2</sup> (18 Asf) & 72 percent efficiency =  

$$\frac{51 \text{ amps}}{18 \text{ amps/cell pair} \times 72\%} = 3.93 \text{ cell pairs}$$

The maximum CO<sub>2</sub> production rate of 1.22 kg CO<sub>2</sub>/man/day (2.68 lb/CO<sub>2</sub>/man/day) is a peak output which lasts for a maximum of eight hours. During this period the P<sub>CO2</sub> will rise slightly with a corresponding increase in the HDC current efficiency.

\* The HDC and WVE cell pairs are identical in effective area of 929.0 cm<sup>2</sup> (1 sq. ft.) and are G.F.E. from previous NASA programs.

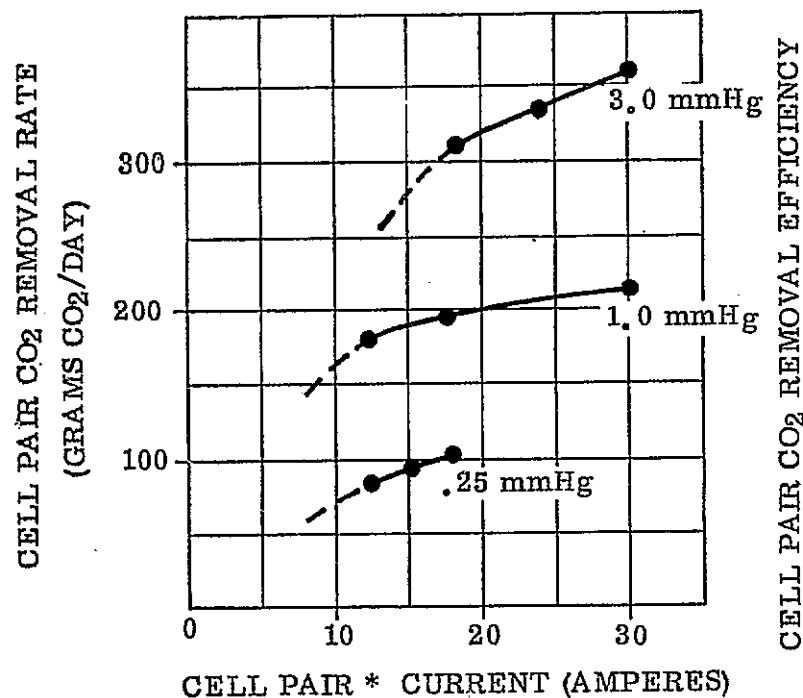


FIGURE 4 CO<sub>2</sub> REMOVAL RATE VS. CURRENT DENSITY AT VARIOUS INLET AIR PCO<sub>2</sub> LEVELS \*\*

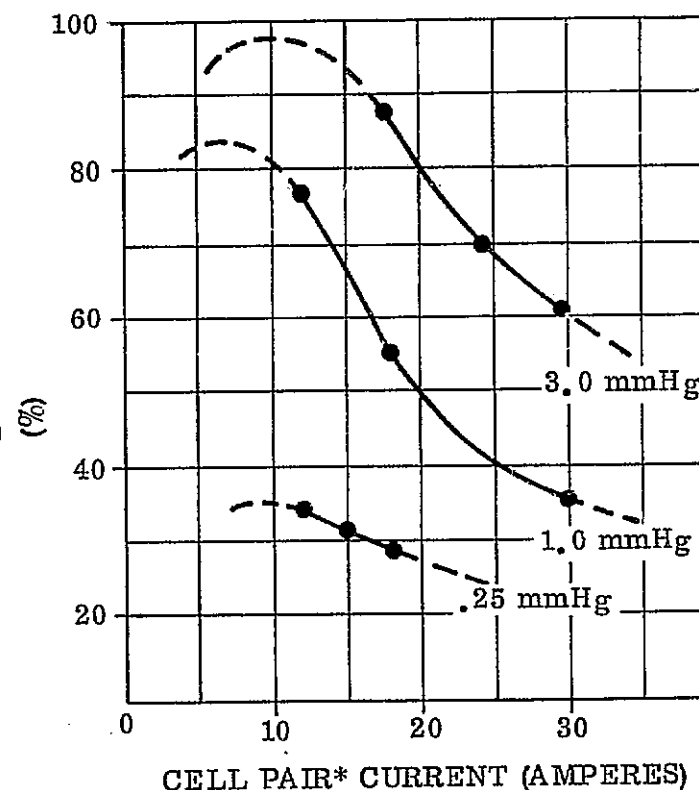


FIGURE 3 CO<sub>2</sub> REMOVAL EFFICIENCY VS. CURRENT DENSITY AT VARIOUS INLET AIR PCO<sub>2</sub> LEVELS \*\*

\* 929 CM<sup>2</sup> (1 SQ FT) CELL PAIR AREA

\*\* Data obtained from Final Report NAS 9-12920 Report (CR-134159) "Analytical Cell Performance"

The required hydrogen flow to support the HDC would theoretically be:

$$4 \text{ cell pairs} \times (18 \text{ amps/cell pair}) \times 0.895 \text{ g(H}_2\text{/day/amp)} = 64.4 \text{ g H}_2\text{/day}$$

Previous tests\* show that the maximum HDC power occurs at a H<sub>2</sub> flow of 2.8 times stoichiometric or (2.5) (64.4 g H<sub>2</sub>/day) = 180 g H<sub>2</sub>/day which is provided by the WVE. The WVE's operating at 50 amperes (as determined below) and the HDC's at 18 amperes, provides a H<sub>2</sub> flow rate through the HDC's of 2.78 times stoichiometric (50/18 = 2.78).

WVE Cell Pair.- The design requirement is to maintain a constant oxygen partial pressure of 22.06 kPa (3.2 psia) in the cabin under varying ambient air humidities and a nominal crew consumption of 835 g/day (1.84 lbs/day). To maintain this P<sub>O<sub>2</sub></sub> level, the WVE will be operated at constant current in order to provide sufficient oxygen to meet oxygen consumption.

$$\text{One man consumption (nominal)} = 835 \text{ g O}_2\text{/day}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{HDC oxygen consumption for 4 cell pairs} \\ @ 18 \text{ Asf} = (4 \text{ cell pairs}) \times \\ (18 \text{ amps/cell pair}) \times 7.13 \text{ g (O}_2\text{/day/amp)} \end{aligned} = \underline{512 \text{ g O}_2\text{/day}}$$

$$\text{Total oxygen consumption} = 1347 \text{ g O}_2\text{/day}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Total amperes required} &= (1347 \text{ g O}_2\text{/day}) \times \\ &\left( \frac{1}{7.13 \text{ g lb O}_2\text{/day/amps}} \right) \end{aligned} = 189 \text{ amperes}$$

To produce O<sub>2</sub>.

The dryest inlet air conditions are 35 percent relative humidity at 291.45 K (65°F). At this condition each WVE cell pair will operate at 50 amperes at 1.9 Vdc. Since 1.9 Vdc is the maximum continuous duty operating voltage for the WVE, it was calculated that the total number of WVE cell pairs for the system (based on 50 amperes per cell pair) required would be four.

$$(189 \text{ amperes}) \times \frac{1}{50 \text{ amps/cell pair}} = 3.79 \text{ (WVE cell pairs)}$$

\* Reference Final Report of NAS 9-12920 contract (SVSHER 6285) "HDC Hydrogen Flow Improvement", NASA Report CR-134159.

Under the wettest inlet air conditions of 90 percent relative humidity at 297.05 K (75°F) the WVE cell pair voltage will be 1.66 Vdc at a current of 50 amperes.

To meet the maximum oxygen consumption requirement, of 1.51 kg O<sub>2</sub>/day (3.33 lb O<sub>2</sub>/day) which occurs at a dew point of greater than 280.37 K (45°F) as calculated below, the WVE current would be 53.0 amperes.

HDC O<sub>2</sub> consumption for 4 cell pairs @ 18 amperes = 0.512 kg O<sub>2</sub>/day

One man consumption (maximum) = 1.0 kg O<sub>2</sub>/day

Total 1512 g O<sub>2</sub>/day

$$(1512 \text{ g O}_2/\text{day}) \times \frac{1}{7.12 \text{ g O}_2/\text{day/amps}}$$

$$\times \frac{1}{4 \text{ cell pairs}} = 53.0 \text{ amperes}$$

This current can easily be obtained at the slightly higher dew point conditions by operating at 1.8 volts.

In order to support the 50 amperes operation of the WVE cell pairs at the driest inlet air conditions, a minimum of 3.30 liters/sec (7 cfm) at one atmosphere air flow through each cell pair is required. Since the HDC cell pairs will be operated at 4.72 liters/sec (10 cfm)/cell pair, (the HDC and WVE cells are in parallel), this requirement is met.

**Cell Pair Reservoir Sizing.**- Since the HDC matrix material was changed from fuel cell asbestos to a composite of neoprene asbestos and Tissu-quartz, it was necessary to resize the reservoir to accommodate HDC cell pair operation over the relative humidity range of 35 to 90 percent. The three factors affecting reservoir sizing are the electrolyte volume in the cell matrix and electrodes, the fraction of free reservoir volume not utilized due to a finite electrolyte retention, and the ratio of electrolyte specific volumes at maximum and minimum relative humidities. All three factors should be minimized to limit the reservoir size. The HDC electrode separation should be at least 0.5 mm (0.020 inches)\*to obtain good CO<sub>2</sub> transfer efficiencies, and the matrix void volume should be greater than approximately 40 percent to prevent excessive electrolyte resistance. The matrix void volume is determined by the nature of the matrix material and the compressive force, which should be between 170 kPa (10 psig) and 515 kPa (60 psig) to maintain good interfacial contact without excessive force on the cell housings.

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\* Reference Final Report of NAS 9-12920 contract (SVHSER 6285) "Matrix Characteristics", NASA Report CR-134159.

Based on the above consideration, the HDC matrix composite chosen is (from anode to cathode) neoprene asbestos - Tissuquartz - neoprene asbestos. The total "solid" thickness of these materials is 0.24 mm (.0094 in.) At an electrode spacing of 0.5 mm (.02 in) this composite matrix void volume is about 52 percent and the required compressive force is 515 kPa (60 psig).

The reservoir volume  $R_V$  is given by

$$R_V = \frac{M_V (S-1)}{1 - SF}$$

where  $M_V$  is the free electrolyte volume in the matrix and electrodes.  $S$  is the electrolyte specific volume ratio (max/min), and  $F$  is the fraction of reservoir volume unutilized. For the selected matrix composite,  $M_V = 29.6$  ml ( $1.81$  in<sup>3</sup>) and with TMAC electrolyte from 35 to 90 percent relative humidity the value for  $S$  is 4.0. Therefore,

$$R_V = \frac{88.8 \text{ (ml)}}{1 - 4F}$$

and  $R_V$  versus  $F$  is shown plotted in figure 5 where it can be seen that the reservoir volume increases rapidly for values of  $F$  above 0.2. It was found that an HDC cell pair with TMAC electrolyte and the composite matrix with a 285 ml ( $17.39$  in<sup>3</sup>) reservoir could be operated over a 90 percent to 40.6 percent volume of 450 ml ( $27.46$  in<sup>3</sup>) should be sufficient to accommodate operation over the required relative humidity range of 90 to 35 percent.

The value of  $M_V$  for the WVE cell pair is 18.3 ml ( $1.12$  in<sup>3</sup>) based on a 0.25 mm ( $6.35$  in) electrode separation and the other factors are the same as for the HDC cell pair so that a reservoir volume of 450 ml ( $27.46$  in<sup>3</sup>) is more than sufficient for the WVE cell pair.

**Cell Pair Package Sizing.**-The One Man E/C ARS is based on four WVE cell pairs and four HDC cell pairs, which are rack mounted in a plexiglass structure so that air will flow through the cell pairs in parallel. The parallel air flow, versus series air flow, was selected because it provides a more maintainable (easier cell pair removal) system, a better packaging arrangement, and no carryover of electrolyte from one subsystem to the other in case the unit is accidentally subjected to very high (exceeding 90 percent) relative humidity. The design of the cell pair rack/manifold housing provides easy installation of the cell pairs by sliding them into their respective slots, inserting the hydrogen probe on the cell pair into the manifold socket of the cell pair rack housing, connecting the clip on to the electrical leads, and installing the air flow seals on the bottom isde of the cell pair housings.

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\*Reference Final Report of NAS 9-12920 contract (SVHSER 6283) "Electrolyte Properties". NASA Report CR-134159.

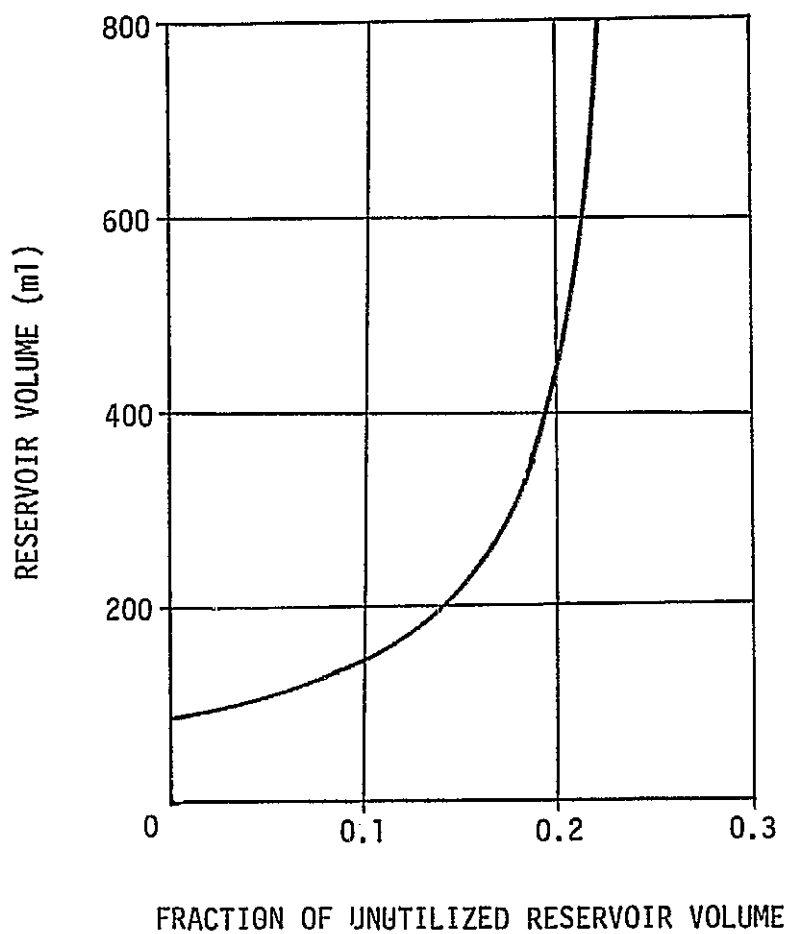


FIGURE 5 EFFECT OF RESERVOIR ELECTROLYTE RETENTION  
ON RESERVOIR VOLUME REQUIREMENTS



Since the WVE and HDC cell pairs require the same air flow at nominal conditions, the system is sized for 37.76 liters/sec (80 cfm) (8 cell pairs at 10 cfm) and a pressure drop of 100 Pa (0.4 inches) of water. This air flow is sufficient for operation down to 133 Pa (1.0 mmHg)  $P_{CO_2}$ . At lower  $P_{CO_2}$  levels the air flow is increased to 11.3 liters/sec (24 cfm) per cell pair for a total of 90.4 liters/sec (8 cell pairs) at a pressure drop of 249 Pa (1.0 in. of water), to prevent limitations in the HDC cells  $CO_2$  transfer rate due to gas phase mass transport phenomena. A Rotron KS-508 Blower provides sufficient flow to meet these requirements (reference figure 6). The lower flow rate is maintained by an outlet orifice plate on the blower discharge that limits the system to 37.76 liters/sec (80 cfm). When the unit is operated at the low  $P_{CO_2}$  levels, not required for normal operation, this plate is removed allowing the blower to operate at its predicted performance.

The hydrogen produced by the WVE's is manifolded and fed to the HDC cell pairs in series arrangement. This is done to keep the porting simple, and insure hydrogen flow to all HDC cell pairs. The  $H_2 + CO_2$  flow from the HDC will be discharged to NASA's facility; the flow then can be vented, or directed to a  $CO_2$  analyzer either of which must not backpressure the system by more than 6.89 kPa (one psi). The interface definition of the cell pair package is provided in Table III and figure 7.

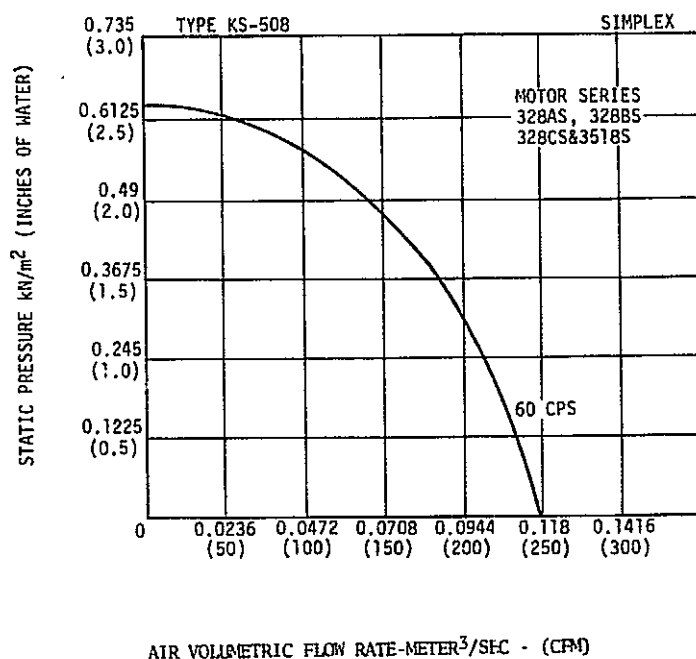


FIGURE 6 ROTRON BLOWER PERFORMANCE

TABLE III CELL PAIR PACKAGE INTERFACE REQUIREMENTS

Inlet & Exit Gas Media	Interface Requirement	
N <sub>2</sub> Purge Gas	34.47 kPa (5 psi) 2000 SCCM	Max Pressure Max Flow
Aux. Mode H <sub>2</sub>	34.47 kPa (5 psi) 2000 SCCM	Max Pressure Max Flow
H <sub>2</sub> Relief Exit Gas	6.89 kPa (1 psi) 2000 SCCM	Max Vent Pressure Max Flow
H <sub>2</sub> + CO <sub>2</sub> Exit Gas	6.89 kPa (1 psi) 2000 SCCM	Max Vent Pressure Max Flow
WVE/HDC Pressure Gauge Calibration Gas	34.47 kPa (5 psi)	Max Pressure
Package Weight	18.14 Kg. (40 lbs)	

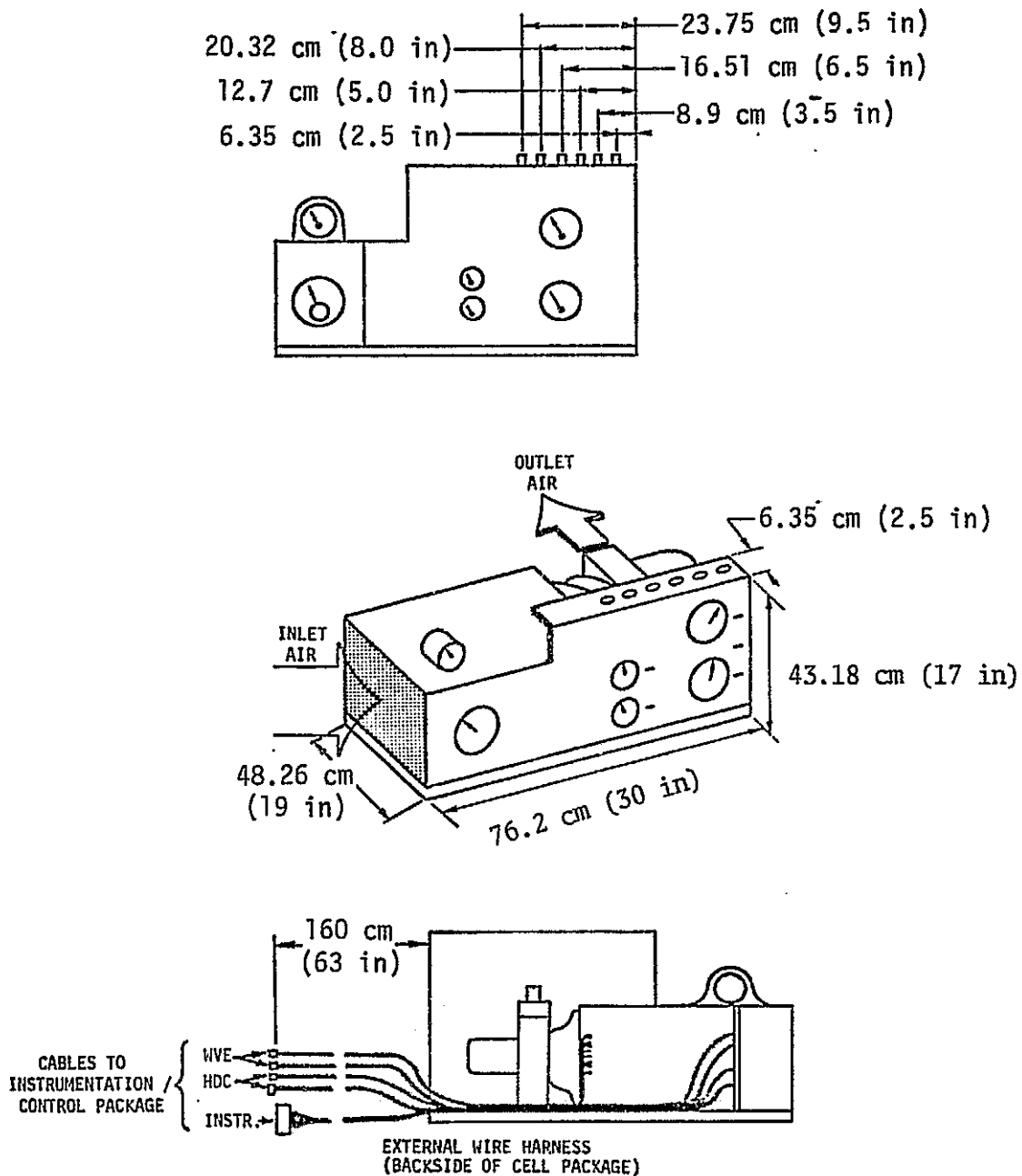


FIGURE 7 INTERFACE DEFINITION OF THE CELL PAIR PACKAGE

## Instrumentation/Control Package

The Instrumentation/Control Package illustrated by figures 8 and 9 and by drawing SVSK 88485, provides four major functions, 1) system power, 2) malfunction isolation and detection, 3) current control, and 4) system performance monitoring. These four functions are discussed in this section. Descriptions of the various components of this package are provided in the detail design section.

System Power.- The electrical power to operate the system is 110 Vac and 220 Vac for the WVE power supply. The 110 Vac power is used in all the smaller dc power supply units and in most of the relay circuits of the system logic control.

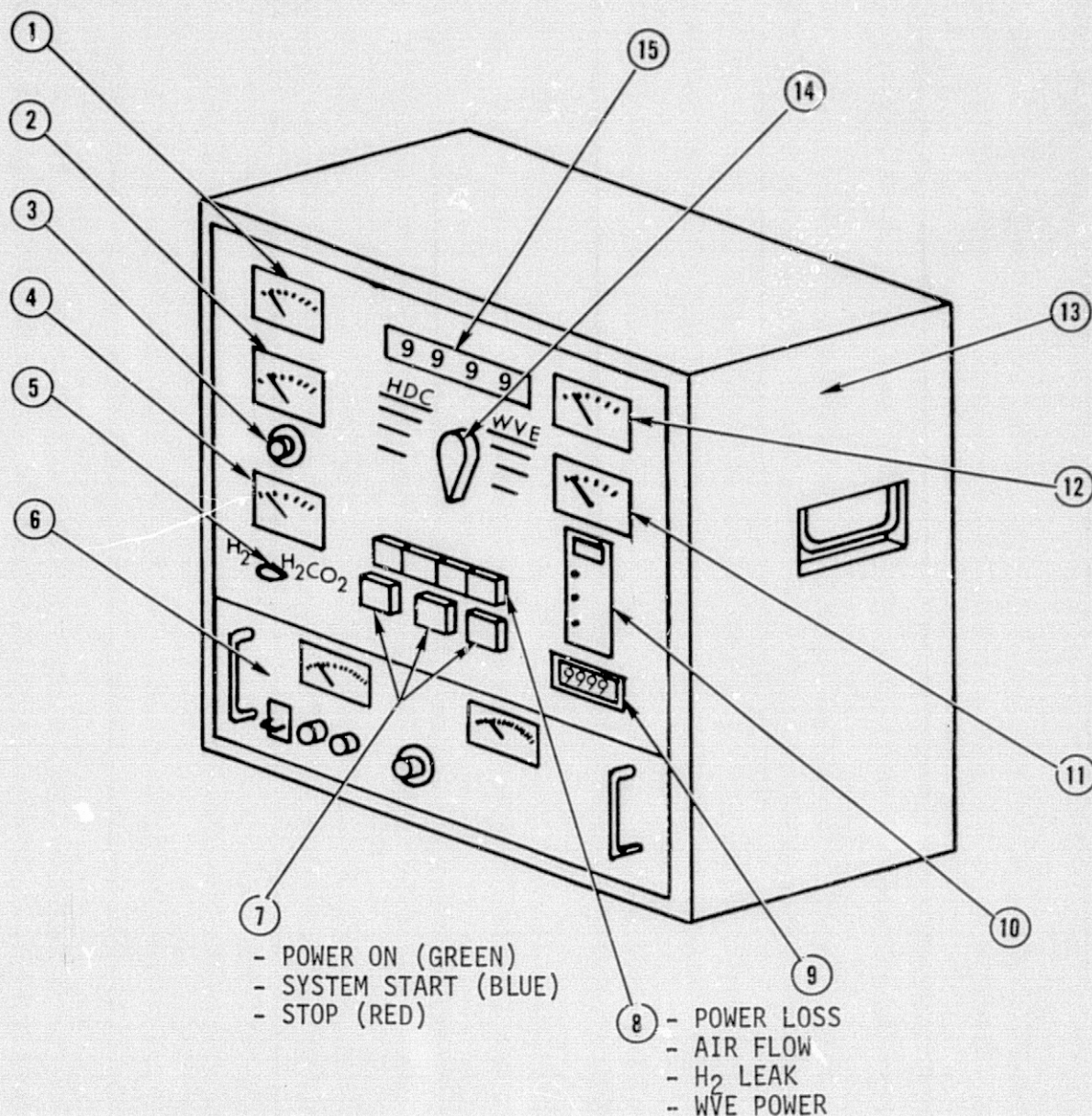
The system power requirements range from powering the WVE cell pairs to the lower power requirements necessary for instrumentation. The WVE power supply is supplied by NASA-JSC. This unit is a 100 amp/10 Vac Hewlett Packard power supply that supplies the WVE with the required power at constant current at the desired current density level.

The three smaller internal dc supply units are used for the instrumentation, CO<sub>2</sub> calculation circuit, and in the system logic. These units provide direct current at 6 amperes, 24 Vdc at 2.3 amperes and 15 Vac at 1.3 amperes.

Malfunction Isolation and Detection.- There are four main malfunctions that could occur in the facility or system that would damage the cell pairs or produce an unsafe mode of operation. These malfunctions are loss of facility 115 Vac power, reduction or total loss of air flow, H<sub>2</sub> leakage and loss of dc power to the WVE cell pairs. These malfunction parameters are continually monitored and the occurrence of any one will automatically shut down the One Man E/C ARS and actuate the appropriate malfunction indicator light.

The automatic system shutdown performs the following sequence of events.

- . Actuates the N<sub>2</sub> purge solenoid for five minutes.
- . Removes power from the WVE. A series of relays actuates the Hewlett Packard power supply's current regulation system to zero amperes.
- . Shorts-out the WVE cell pairs. This prevents the formation of H<sub>2</sub>S, and is done ten seconds after the shutdown sequence has been initiated.



ITEM NO.	COMPONENT DESCRIPTION	VENDOR
1	HDC TOTAL VOLTAGE	SIMPSON
2	HDC CURRENT	SIMPSON
3	HDC CURRENT ADJUST	BOURNS
4	H <sub>2</sub> AND H <sub>2</sub> +CO <sub>2</sub> FLOW METER	TYLAN
5	SWITCH, SELECTOR FOR H <sub>2</sub> FLOW METER	MICROSWITCH
6	10 VDC - 100 AMP POWER SUPPLY	HEWLETT PACKARD *
7	SWITCHES - PUSH BUTTON W/INDICATOR LIGHT	MICROSWITCH
8	INDICATOR LIGHTS	MICROSWITCH
9	ELAPSED TIME METER	SIMPSON
10	COMBUSTIBLE GAS METER	GENERAL MONITORS
11	WVE CURRENT	SIMPSON
12	WVE TOTAL VOLTAGE	SIMPSON
13	CABINET	PREMIER
14	SWITCH-ROTARY-CELL CURRENT/VOLTAGE SELECTION	CENTRA LAS
15	DIGITAL METER	ANALOG DEVICE

\* NASA - JSC SUPPLIED COMPONENT

FIGURE 8 ONE MAN E/C ARS INSTRUMENTATION/CONTROL PACKAGE

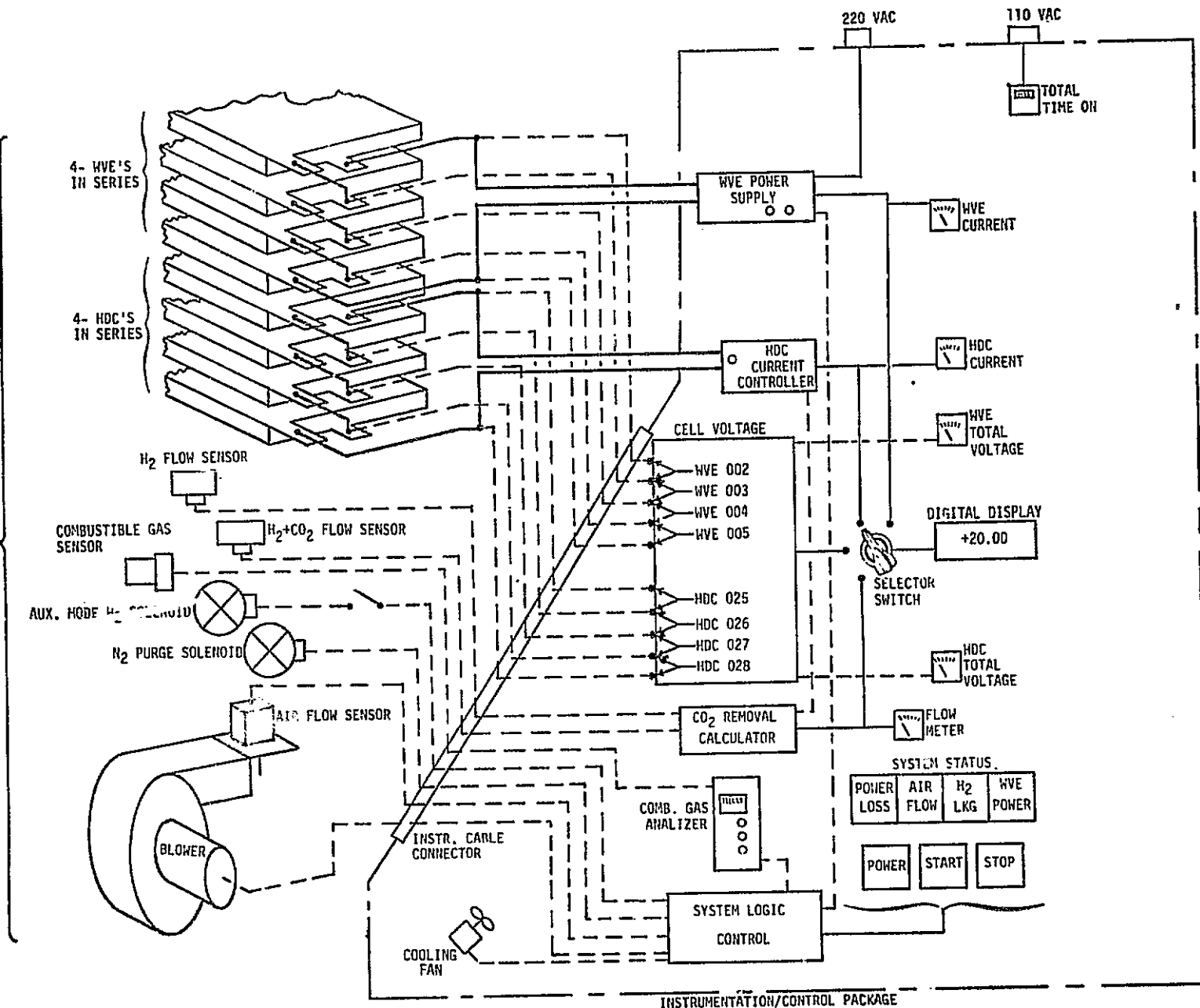


FIGURE 9 ONE-MAN E/C ARS ELECTRICAL SCHEMATIC SKETCH

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ELECTRICAL  
COMPONENTS  
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IN THE  
CELL PAIR  
PACKAGE

- Actuates an interlock to prevent the restart of the system without a manual restart action. This is done through relays. On the system restart, a 10 second time delay to override the automatic shutdown mode is provided to allow sufficient time for the air flow through the cell pairs to build up.

Current Control.- The HDC operates at a constant but adjustable current level that is automatically controlled by the HDC current controller. This solid state current controller, reference figure 10, will automatically provide a constant cell current with changes in cell characteristics. The controlling device uses a PNP power transistor, which is driven by a solid state amplifier as part of a feedback loop. Current is sensed by a series shunt and compared to a set value. The proper input is provided to the controlling power transistor to drive the error to zero. A potentiometer is supplied to permit adjustment (setting) of the desired cell current (5 to 24 amperes). The current regulator requires the output power of the HDC and supplementary 15 volt Vdc power supply to power the solid state circuitry.

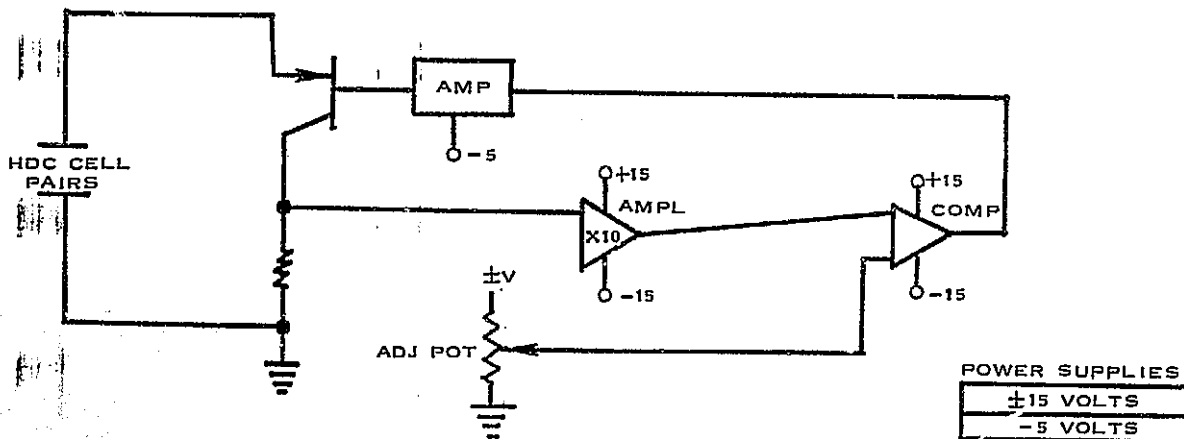


FIGURE 10 HDC CURRENT CONTROL SCHEMATIC

The second current control is part of the Hewlett Packard supply unit. This control maintains the WVE at a constant current level that is adjustable through the range of zero to 100 amperes. The power utilization section of this report discusses various ways to control the HDC and WVE current levels for future integrated systems.

System Performance Monitoring.- There are two levels of system performance monitoring provided, namely, total HDC and WVE current/voltage levels and individual cell pair voltage levels. The total cell pair current and voltage levels are displayed with dial meters which are visible at all times. The individual cell voltages and other system performance parameters are displayed on a digital meter, one parameter at a time. A manually operated, 18 position rotary switch or an automatic stepping relay device is used to select the various performance parameters that are displayed on the digital meter. These parameters are:

HDC - Cell No. 1 Voltage	WVE - Cell No. 1 Voltage
Cell No. 2 Voltage	Cell No. 2 Voltage
Cell No. 3 Voltage	Cell No. 3 Voltage
Cell No. 4 Voltage	Cell No. 4 Voltage
Stack Voltage	Stack Voltage
HDC Current	WVE Current
CO <sub>2</sub> Transfer Current*	Meter Test + 15 volts
CO <sub>2</sub> Efficiency**	Meter Test - 15 volts

When the manual rotary switch is placed in the "auto cycle" position, the stepping relay automatically sequences continually through the above parameters with a five second pause at each position.

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\*The CO<sub>2</sub> transfer current is the current required to remove the same amount of CO<sub>2</sub> which the HDC is removing but at 100 percent efficiency. This is calculated electronically by comparing the H<sub>2</sub> inflow to the H<sub>2</sub> + CO<sub>2</sub> outflow.

\*\*CO<sub>2</sub> efficiency is obtained electronically by dividing the CO<sub>2</sub> transfer current signal by the actual HDC current signal.



Interface definition of the instrumentation/control package is shown in figure 11 and as listed below:

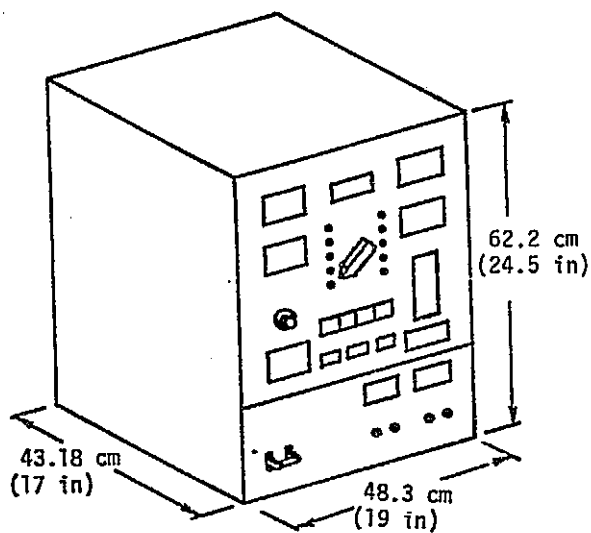
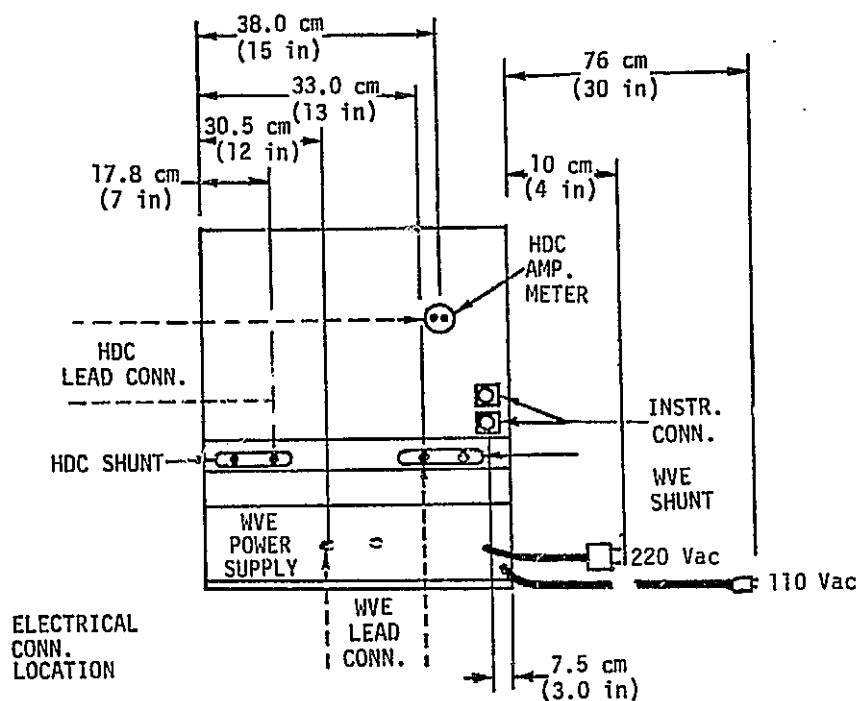


FIGURE 11 INTERFACE DEFINITION OF THE INSTRUMENTATION/CONTROL PACKAGE

## Power Utilization Study

The study of methods to utilize the power produced by the HDC of the One Man E/C ARS revealed that the best utilization would be realized by placing the HDC's electrically in series with the WVE's; however, this method was not incorporated in this program because of additional costs, the possible jeopardy to the WVE performance and the program objectives would not be penalized if this series operation were not incorporated.

### Study Restraints and Requirements.-

- . Use cell pair hardware on hand (one square foot effective area) with minimum modifications.
- . Maintain the design philosophy of minimum controls and simplicity of design.
- . HDC Operation: - Constant current, peak CO<sub>2</sub> removal efficiency occurs at 18 amperes and power output varies with inlet air conditions and operating current. At nominal conditions the cell voltage would be approximately 0.2 volt at 18 amperes.
- . WVE Operation: - Constant current, and input power requirements vary with inlet air conditions.

One way to utilize the HDC power and still control the HDC current is to place the HDC cells electrically in series with the WVE cells. In this concept the voltage of the constant current power supply required for WVE operation is reduced by the "stack" voltage produced by the HDC cells and would also eliminate the separate HDC current control.

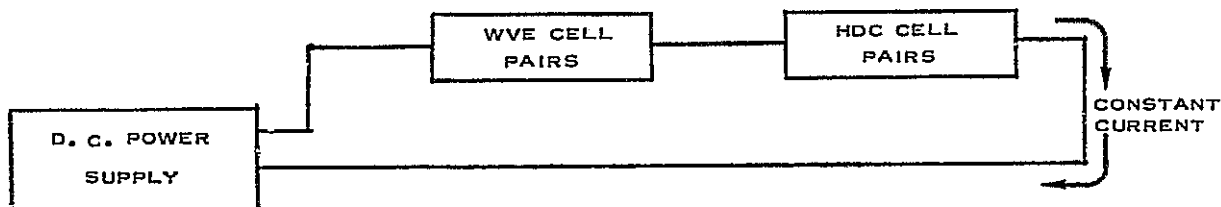


FIGURE 12 SERIES CONCEPT

## Series Concept Advantages and Limitations.-

### Advantages:

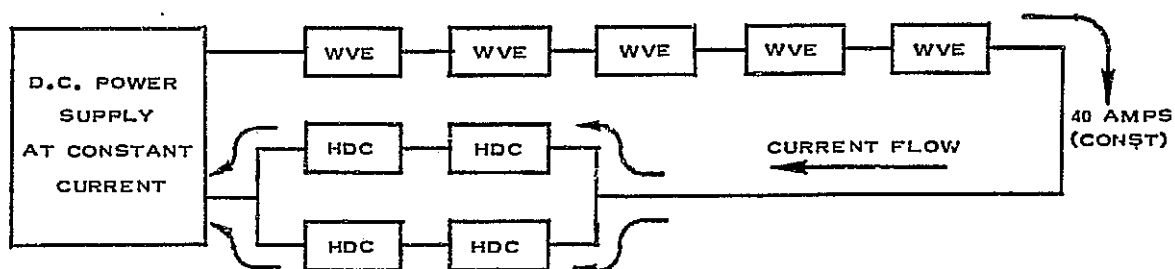
- . The WVE/HDC system uses 100 percent of power produced by HDC cells.
- . Uses only one power supply and current control. This saves weight and reduces power loss through the inefficiency of additional power supplies, converters and controllers.
- . Simple design with minimum controls.

### Limitations:

- . Both WVE's and HDC's would be operated at the same current level.
- . No independent WVE/HDC operation. This would not be a limitation for a flight system, but for an engineering prototype development system, this concept limits the operating flexibility.

The following discussion presents various configurations of the "series" concept which were studied in the power utilization investigation:

### Configuration A:



### Oxygen Balance (Expressed in Equivalent Amperes)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Available current to produce } O_2 \\ &= 5 \text{ (WVE's)} \times 40 \text{ amps/cell pair} = 200 \text{ amperes} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Consumption of } O_2 \\ &= 4 \text{ (HDC's)} \times 20 \text{ amps/cell pair} = - 80 \text{ amperes} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{One man consumption (834 g } O_2/\text{day)} \\ &= 834 \text{ g} \times \frac{1}{7.12 \text{ g } O_2/\text{amps}} = \frac{-117 \text{ amperes}}{+ 3 \text{ amperes}} \end{aligned}$$

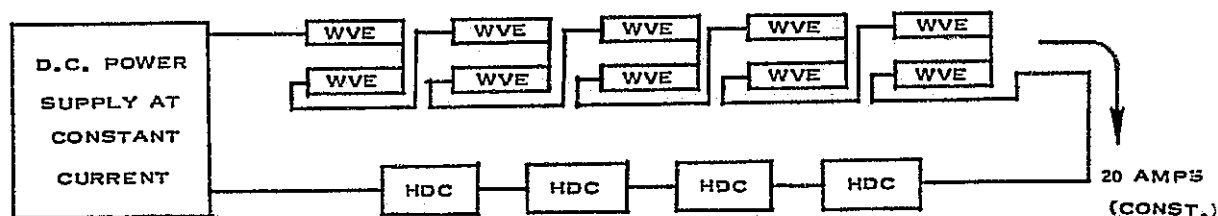
### CO<sub>2</sub> Removal

$$\begin{aligned} \text{One man production of 1000 g CO}_2/\text{day} \\ &= 1000 \text{ g} \times \frac{1}{19.7 \text{ g CO}_2/\text{amps}} = 51 \text{ amperes at 100} \\ &\hspace{15em} \text{percent efficiency} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 4 \text{ (HDC's)} \times 20 \text{ amps/cell pair} &= 80 \\ \eta &= \frac{51}{80} = 64 \text{ percent minimum} \\ &\hspace{15em} \text{required efficiency} \end{aligned}$$

This configuration would provide the oxygen and remove the CO<sub>2</sub> to meet the system requirements. However, the two parallel HDC circuits may not operate at equal currents (because of their differences in resistance) which could result in operating problems.

### Configuration B:



The WVE cell pairs in this configuration would be modified to add an electrical insulator in the center of the center housing (cathode current carried) and bolt insulators such that the top cell (one-half square foot effective area) is electrically separated from the bottom cell.

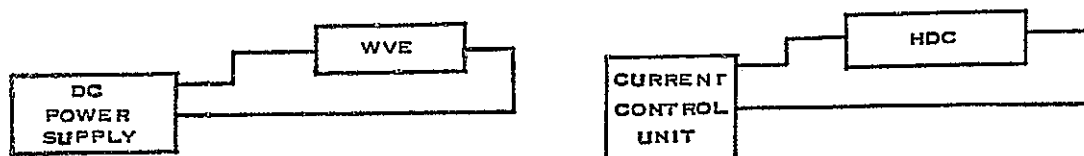
### Oxygen Balance

$$\begin{array}{rcl}
 \text{O}_2 \text{ Production} & = & 10 \text{ (WVE's)} \times 20 \text{ amperes} = 200 \text{ amperes} \\
 \text{O}_2 \text{ Consumption by HDC} & = & 4 \text{ (HDC's)} \times 20 \text{ amperes} = - 80 \text{ amperes} \\
 \text{One man consumption} & & = \underline{-117 \text{ amperes}} \\
 & & + 3 \text{ amperes}
 \end{array}$$

### CO<sub>2</sub> Removal (Same as Configuration A)

This configuration would meet all the requirements, while operating both WVE's and HDC's close to their optimum current levels. However, for this program the cost of cell modifications and possible jeopardy to the WVE performance were considered unacceptable.

The power utilization concept that was used for this program uses approximately 20 percent of the HDC output power to control its current level and the WVE's are powered separately.



### Advantages:

- . HDC's and WVE's can be operated at different current levels.
- . Independent WVE/HDC operation.
- . Within program scope (funding and schedule).

Limitations:

- . Uses only 20 percent of HDC output power and dissipates the remaining power.

The power output of the HDC's sized for a one man system is so small (7 to 18 watts at 18 amperes) when compared to the total system power (represents only two to five percent) that if additional control hardware is required for its utilization, the power savings is lost because of the added weight of the controls. The series operation of the HDC's and WVE's not only utilizes 100 percent of the HDC power output, but it also eliminates a current control unit thereby reducing the system's weight.

Other concepts, such as parallel HDC and WVE operation, would require complex electrical controllers for matching the power levels of each loop in addition to a WVE power supply. Because of this additional system weight and control complexity, these concepts were not considered feasible for a one man system.

The most efficient means for conserving total system power is not in the utilization of the HDC output power but in the power required to make up the oxygen which the HDC cells consume. For example, the present One Man E/C ARS is designed to remove 380 sccm of CO<sub>2</sub> by operating the HDC's at 18 amperes with a CO<sub>2</sub> removal efficiency of 71 percent. The total HDC power requirement for this operating condition, assuming 100 percent utilization of the HDC output power is:

### Oxygen Consumption

(4 HDC cells) (18 amperes) = 72 amperes.  
 O<sub>2</sub> consumption which for the present  
 WVE cells would require 1.8 volts:  
 (72) (1.8) = 130 watts

### HDC Output Power

(4 HDC cells) (18 amperes) (0.1 volt) = 7.2 watts

### Total Power Charged to HDC

130 watts - 7.2 watts = 122.8 watts

In order to reduce this power, the HDC's would have to be operated at a lower current and its CO<sub>2</sub> removal efficiency would have to increase. Parametric test results obtained during the 90-day system test program revealed that the CO<sub>2</sub> removal efficiency does peak at a lower operating current. If, for example, the HDC had a CO<sub>2</sub> removal efficiency of 91 percent (which provides 380 sccm CO<sub>2</sub> removal) at 14 amperes, the total HDC power use would be:

### Oxygen Consumption

(4) (14) = 56 amperes which would  
 require a WVE voltage of 1.7 volts:  
 (56) (1.7) = 95.2 watts

### HDC Output Power

(4) (14) (0.1) = 5.6 watts

### Total Power Charged to HDC

95.2 watts - 5.6 watts = 89.6 watts

This type of reduction in power (122.8-89.6) represents a 27 percent savings where the full utilization of the HDC output power provides only a five and one-half percent savings (7.2/130).

This analysis of HDC power conservation versus the peak CO<sub>2</sub> removal efficiency is shown in figure 13. This figure is a plot of the wasted power (in watts) as a result of the oxygen consumed by the HDC, versus the HDC CO<sub>2</sub> removal efficiency (in percent), at various inlet air PCO<sub>2</sub> levels and HDC operating currents. These curves were derived from data obtained from the 90 day test program.

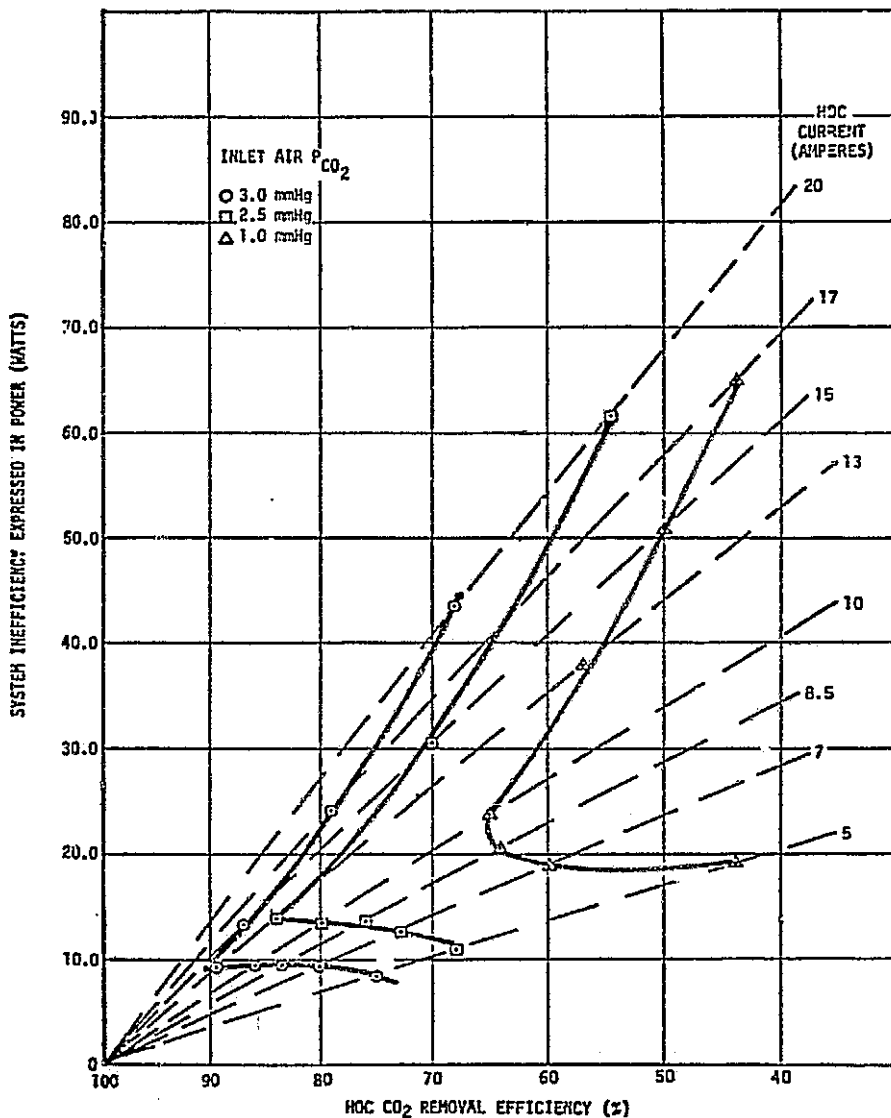


FIGURE 13 SYSTEM POWER INEFFICIENCY VS HDC CO<sub>2</sub> REMOVAL EFFICIENCY



### Detail Design & Component Descriptions

The detail design effort of the program consisted of detail designing of the various items of the system and the selection of off-the-shelf items. The following is a description of the items associated with the two packages.

#### Cell Pair Package

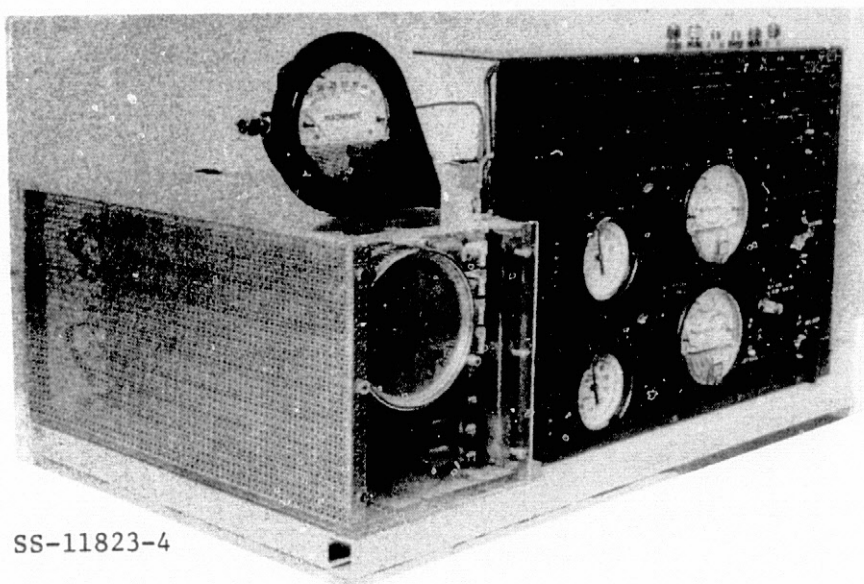
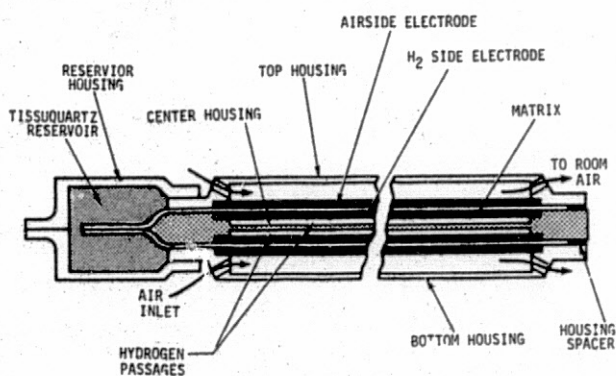


FIGURE 14 CELL PAIR PACKAGE

Package assembly definition and associated item details were manufactured per drawing SVSK 88484 and parts list.

Electrochemical Cell Pairs.- The design of the WVE and HDC cell pair was done on previous NASA programs. As previously noted in the design requirements, the existing cell pair hardware was to be used on this program. These existing cell pairs (per drawing SVSK 88486) were modified as shown in figure 15, to incorporate: a larger reservoir, a change in the mounting brackets and electrical leads, an air baffle, and electrode and matrix materials changes.



CELL PAIR	AIR SIDE ELECTRODE	H <sub>2</sub> SIDE ELECTRODE	MATRIX	HOUSING SPACER	ELECTROLYTE
WVE	ANODE E-2	CATHODE PLAT.	TISSUQUARTZ ASBESTOS NEOPRENE	0.017	H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>
HDC	CATHODE DC16-0	ANODE PPF & DS16-0 ①	ASBESTOS NEOPRENE TISSUQUARTZ ASBESTOS NEOPRENE	0.020	TMAC

① TWO HDC'S USE PPF ANODES & TWO USE DS16-0 ANODES

FIGURE 15 ELECTROCHEMICAL CELL PAIR

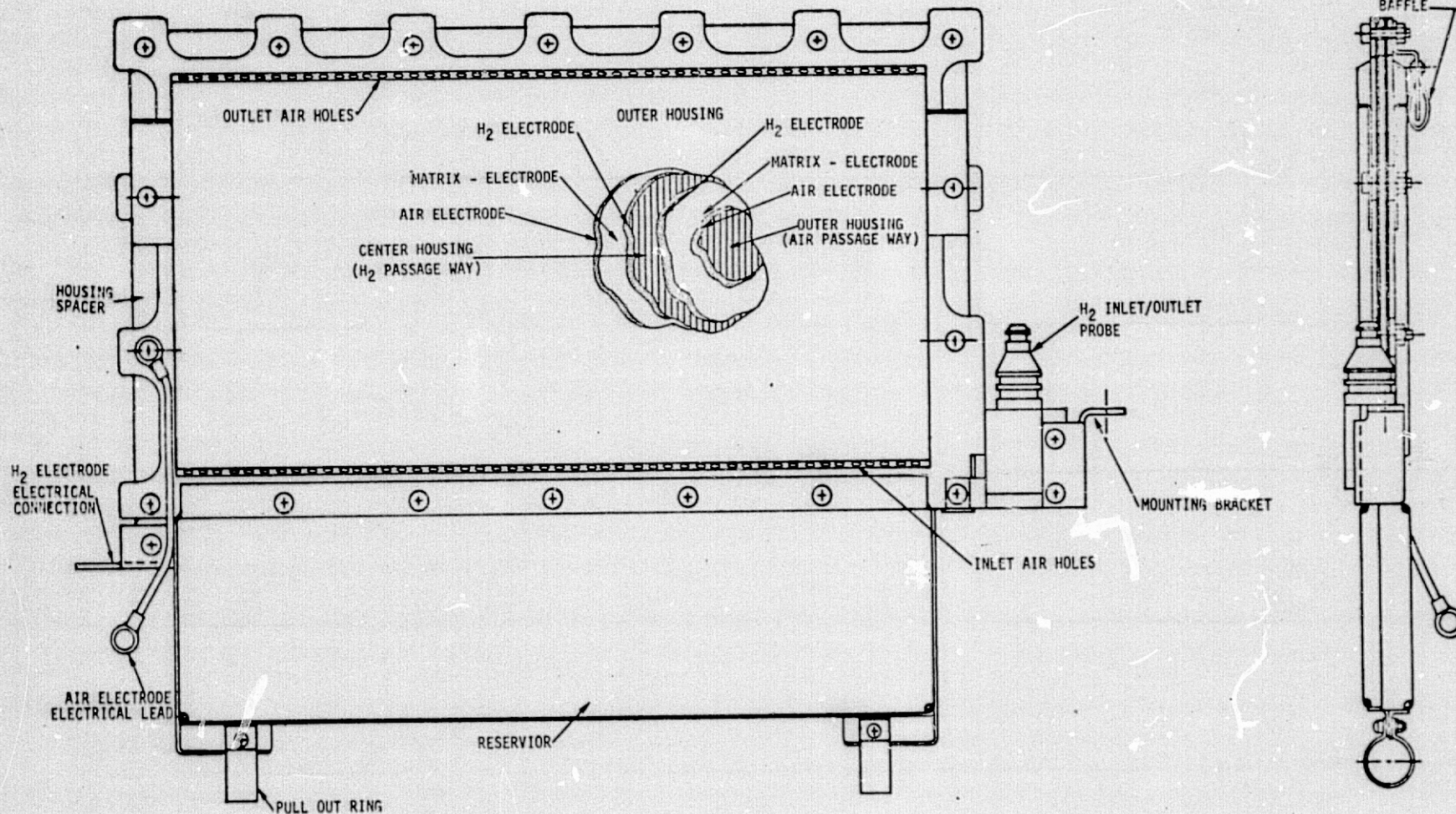


FIGURE 15 ELECTROCHEMICAL CELL PAIR "CONCLUDED"

Cell Pair Rack & Manifold Housing.- This "plexiglass" housing holds the WVE and HDC cell pairs in a horizontal position. Grooves were machined on the inside surface of vertical sides to provide a slot into which the cell pairs center housing tabs slide. The grooves are spaced 2.54 cm (1.0 inches) apart which allows the cell pairs to be inserted and provides a light compression of the cell pairs air baffle between the two inserted cell pairs.

The H<sub>2</sub> manifold on the side of the housing has eight socket ports into which the cell pair H<sub>2</sub> probe is inserted when the cell pair is slid into the rack. The top four ports are manifolded to provide parallel H<sub>2</sub> flow from the WVE cell pairs. The bottom four ports are manifolded to provide series H<sub>2</sub> flow through the HDC cell pairs. This manifolding is done by a series of drilled passages. Two tapped holes on the side of the housing were machined for mounting dial thermometers and a third hold tapped on the rear of the housing for mounting the combustible gas sensor. The rear side also has a large diameter hole for the connection of the inlet duct of the blower.

Provisions are made for mounting various brackets for securing the cell pairs and terminal boards for instrumentation wiring.

The housing is mounted on top of the package unistrut frame which allows easy handling of the complete package.

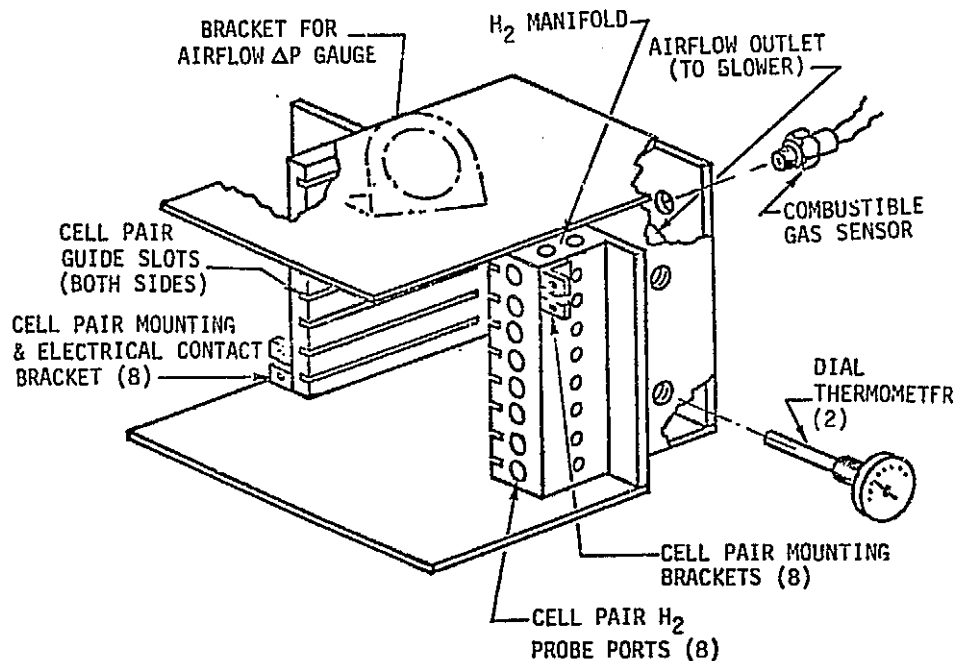


FIGURE 16 CELL PAIR RACK AND MANIFOLD HOUSING



Valve and Gauge Panel.- The aluminum package panel provides the mounting surface for the package valves, gauges and plumbing. The panel is secured to the unistrut package frame and to the cell pair rack housing. A photo-etched aluminum label of the  $H_2$  flow schematic is bonded to the panel for quick reference when adjusting the various valves.

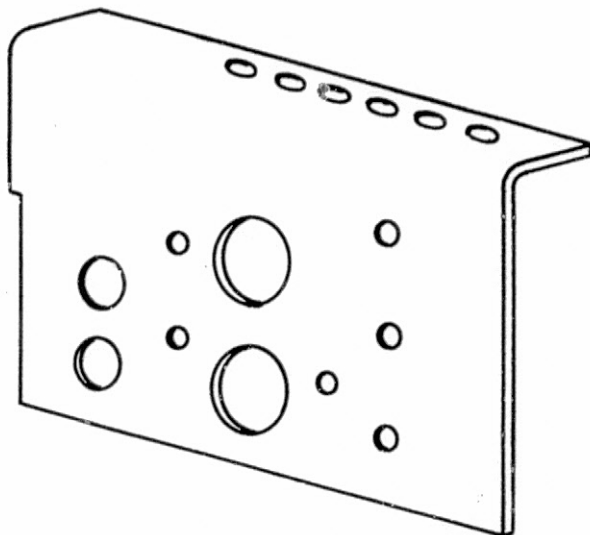


FIGURE 17 VALVE AND GAUGE PANEL

Inlet Cover/Grill.- The inlet cover/grill protects the cell pairs and their associated connections. This plexiglass cover also provides the mounting surface for the inlet air relative humidity and temperature gauge. The protective grill is made of aluminum.

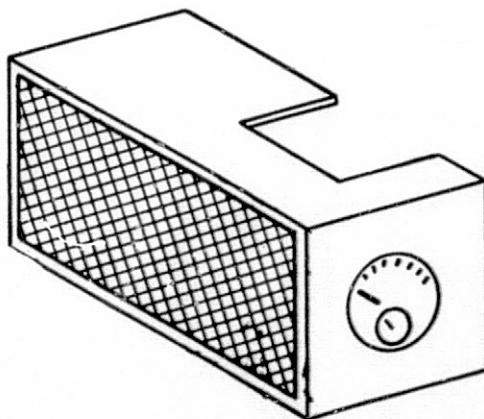


FIGURE 18 INLET COVER/GRILL

H<sub>2</sub> Filter. - The H<sub>2</sub> filter (per figure 19) consists of two concentric cylinders that are bonded to the inlet/outlet end cap. The base cap and viton gaskets seal the other end of the cylinders. The two end caps are secured to each other with three tie rods. This filter was added to the HDC inlet H<sub>2</sub> plumbing to scrub any possible traces of H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> which might come from the WVE. The LiOH bed will absorb any acid type particles and the activated carbon will absorb any other undesirable gas. The pressure drop through this filter is less than 0.547 kPa (2.2 in. H<sub>2</sub>O) at flow rates up to 2000 sccm.

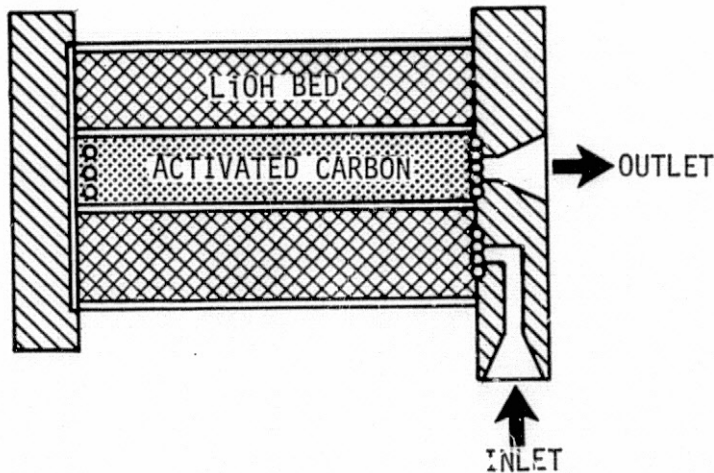


FIGURE 19 H<sub>2</sub> FILTER

Manual On-Off Valves.- (Items\* 4\*\*, 11, 14, 15 & 16) - Mfg., Whitev P/N's SS43XS4\*, SS4152 & SS4354. These are ball-type valves incorporating 316 stainless steel bodies and teflon packing seals. These valves provide maximum corrosion resistance, high reliability and quick acting on-off operation (one quarter turn).

Metering Valves.- (Items 2, 12 & 13) - Mfg., NUPRO P/N's SS4MX & SS4MG. These needle valves incorporate 316 stainless steel body and stem with viton seals. These valves regulate an orifice from 0.00 cm dia. to 0.1397 cm dia. (0.00 to 0.055 inches) through ten turns of the stem.

Check Valves.- (Items 14A & 19) - Mfg., NUPRO P/N SS-4C 1/3. These check valves are 316 stainless steel housing and poppet, and use buna "N" seals. The cracking pressure is 2.06 kPa (0.30 psi) with minimum pressure drop at full flow.

Relief Valves.- (Items 9 & 10) - Mfg., Circle Seal P/N 532T-2MP-4. The relief valves are 316 stainless steel housing and poppet, and use Viton seals. Cracking pressure is adjustable from 17.2 kPa to 40.5 kPa (2.5 to 5.9 psi) with zero leakage at 95 percent of the cracking pressure. The relief adjustment is internal to the valve, requiring the removal of the valve from the system.

Inlet Filters.- (Items 20 & 21) - Mfg., NUPRO P/N SS4FR-7. The inlet filters are in-line removable filters which provide means of replacing the filter element without removing the filter from the system. Housings made of 316 stainless steel, Viton "A" seals and a 316 sintered stainless steel element.

Solenoid On-Off Valves.- (Items 1 & 11A) - Mfg., Skinner Valve P/N's V51DA 2125 (non-open) & V52DA 2125 (non-closed). The solenoid operated valves incorporate 110 Vac continuous duty solenoids, 316 stainless steel bodies and plunger, and Viton seals. The valves have a 0.238 cm dia. (3/32 inch ) orifice and are rated for 858.8 kPa (125 psi) operating pressure.

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\*\*This is a three-way valve of similar design and has a one-half turn movement.

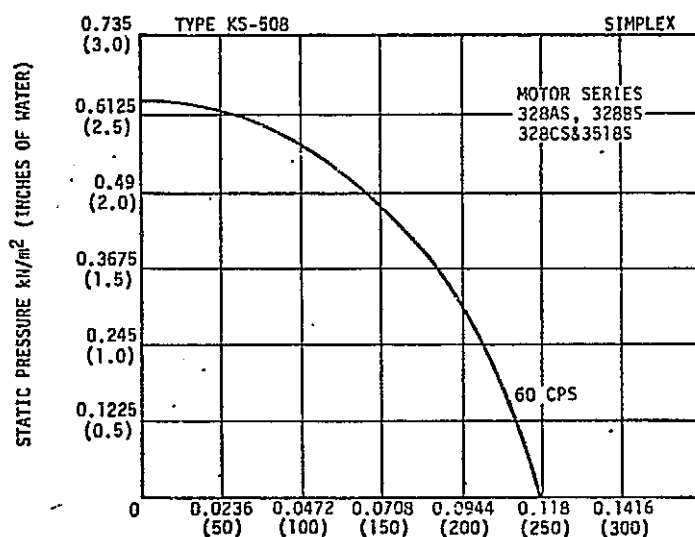
\*Item numbers of this section correspond to the components of Figure 2.

Pressure Gauges.- (Items 17, 18 & 22) - Mfg., Dwyer P/N's 2202 & 2205. The "Magnehelic" pressure gauge consists of two pressure-tight compartments separated by a molded flexible diaphragm. The interior of the gauge case serves as the "high" pressure compartment and a sealed chamber behind the diaphragm serves as the "low" ambient pressure compartment.

Differences in pressure between the high and low sides of the diaphragm cause the diaphragm to assume a balanced position. The front support plate of the diaphragm is linked to a leaf spring that is calibrated through a magnetic linkage to the indicating pointer.

Pressure Regulator.- (Item 8) - Mfg., TESCO P/N 22640. This backpressure type regulator uses 316 stainless steel bore and a plunger, a teflon seat and a Viton "A" diaphragm. The regulator has been modified to provide regulation between 6.89 to 34.5 kPa (1 to 5 psi) backpressure. It incorporates a sensitive diaphragm with a large sensing-to-seat area ratio which provides a low crack pressure to reseal pressure differential and better repeatability.

Blower.- (Item 27) - Mfg., Rotron P/N KS-508. The air blower is a simplex squirrel cage blower driven by a 115 Vac motor. This blower incorporates a bell inlet cone and a flanged outlet port. The performance is given below.



AIR VOLUMETRIC FLOW RATE-METER<sup>3</sup>/SEC - (CFM)

FIGURE 20 ROTRON BLOWER PERFORMANCE



Air Flow Sensor Switch.- (Item 28) - Mfg., Rotron P/N 4000 Series. This electrical switch actuates purely on air velocity and is not influenced by stall pressure. The lightweight stainless steel vane which protrudes into the exit airstream moves as a function of air flow. This movement actuates the switch which can be wired for normally open or closed positions.

Combustible Gas Sensor.- (Item 26) - Mfg., General Monitoring, Inc. P/N Standard Model 180-10-001-1. The combustible gas sensor will detect any combustible gas mixtures and transmit an electrical signal to the combustible gas controller. The sensor is a low temperature, catalytic bed, diffusion type unit, having a one second (using H<sub>2</sub>) response time.

H<sub>2</sub> Flow Sensor.- (Items 5 & 7) - Mfg., Tylan Corporation P/N Model 420-G. The H<sub>2</sub> flow sensors consist of a base assembly which contains the sensing elements, gas fittings, electronics to condition and amplify the flow signal, and a cover. When a low dc voltage (power supply located in Instrumentation/Control package) is supplied to the sensor, there is an output voltage from 0 to 5 Vac, linearly proportional to the flow, which is transmitted to the voltmeter on the Instrumentation/Control package. Adjustments are provided for zero, linearity and gain.

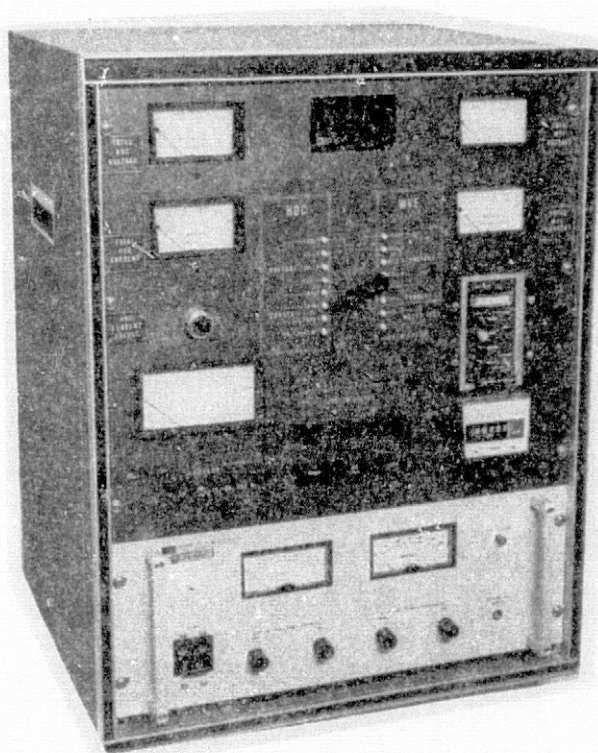
Principle of Operation.- When heat is applied to a gas stream, the temperature rise is a function of the mass flow rate, the thermal properties of the gas, and the amount of heat added. This principle is applied in this sensor which is a small stainless steel tube with two resistance thermometers wound on the outside. A few milliwatts of heat applied by the sensor raises the gas temperature slightly, changing the relative reading of the two thermometers. The design parameters are such that the temperature difference signal between the resistance thermometers is directly proportional to flow and is also linear. Since different gases have different thermal properties, each flowmeter is calibrated with the actual gas to be used. To vary the flow range, an internal divider splits the gas stream in an exact ratio between the sensor and bypass. The bypass matches the linear flow characteristics of the sensor. Since it is a laminar flow element (in contrast to an orifice), accuracy is maintained over the complete temperature range.

Dial Thermometers.- (Items 23, 24 & 25) - Mfg., Cole Parmer P/N's 8123-40 & 3310. The air outlet thermometers (8123) have a hermetically sealed 304 stainless steel case and a stainless steel probe. The case has a base with a one-half NPT connector for mounting. The dial reads from 25°F (-4°C) to 125°F (51°C) and has an accuracy of one percent.

The inlet air thermometer/relative humidity meter (3310) has a solid brass housing which contains the two dials. the air temperature dial reads from -100 (-23°C) to 190°F (88°C) and the relative humidity dial reads from zero percent to 100 percent.

## Instrumentation/Control Package

The panel layout, electrical schematic and package parts list are defined on drawing SVSK 88485. The assembly of the electronic components into the system was done by detail functional groupings; (1) the instrumentation power supplies were mounted to the side of the cabinet and the WVE power supply mounted at the bottom of the cabinet because of its weight, (2) the instrumentation meters/switches were mounted on the cabinet panel, and (3) the system logic, control and calculating functions were located in a separate chassis (25.4 x 35.5 x 7.6 cm) 10 x 14 x 3 inches which was in turn mounted to the top of the cabinet.



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FIGURE 21 INSTRUMENTATION/CONTROL PACKAGE

Cabinet.- (Item\* 13) - Mfg., Premier P/N TIC 241917. Standard metal instrument case for 48.26 cm (19 inches) wide x 43.18 cm (17 inches) depth panel mounted instruments. Maximum panel height is 62.2 cm (24 1/2 inches).

Package Display Panel.- The aluminum package display panel provides the mounting surface for all the meters (8), indicator lights (4), miniature marking lamps (16), push button switches (3), two position selector switch (1), HDC current control knob (1), fourteen position selection switch (1), and a stepping relay (on back side of panel). The panel is mounted to the front of the cabinet with six screws.

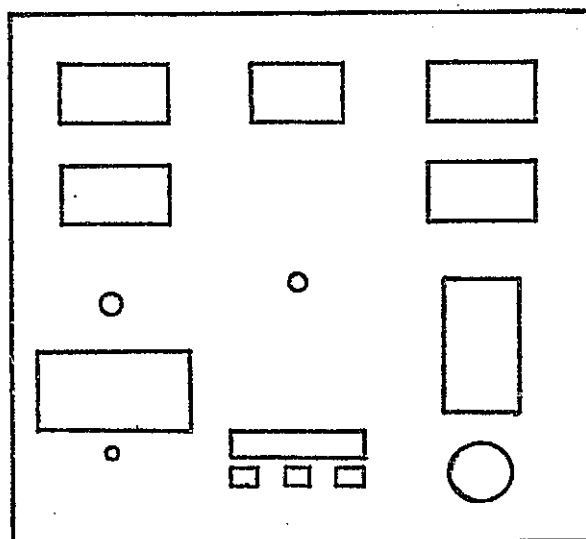


FIGURE 22 DISPLAY PANEL

Digital Meter.- (Item 15) - Mfg., Analog Devices P/N AD 2004. This meter provides a five digit plus sign and decimal point display. The input range is 0 to 1.9999 volts. If this range is exceeded, a four digit display of zero will flash on and off until the input is within the required operating range. The accuracy is 0.01 percent of reading the last digit. This unit also requires a 5 Vdc  $\pm$  5% @ 1.40A power source.

dc Volt & Amp Meters.- (Items 1, 2, 11 & 12) - Mfg., Simpson P/N's 9720 & 9730 (Vac), and 2710 & 2740 (Adc). These meters are bezel mounted "wide-VUE" meters which incorporate shielded movement that prevents the calibration and meter reading from being affected by stray magnetic fields. The ranges are: 9720 (Vac) 0-5, 9730 (Vac) 0-8, 2710 (Adc) 0-25, 2740 (Adc) 0-100.

\*Item numbers of this section correspond to the components of Figure 9.

Elapsed Time Meter.- (Item 9) - Mfg., Simpson P/N 03595. This panel mounted meter displays the accumulative "on" time of the system up to 99,999.90 hours. The meter operates on 120 Vac, 60 Hz power and indicates the time to 0.1 of an hour.

Flow Meter.- (Item 4) - Mfg., Tylan P/N Model 420-G. This is a bezel mounted direct current voltmeter (0-5 Vac) which has the meter face changed to display a 0 to 2000 sccm calibration. The meter receives a 0-5 volt signal from the flow sensor on the cell pair package.

Combustible Gas Meter.- (Item 10) - Mfg., General Monitors, Inc. P/N Model 180. The combustible gas meter monitors the output of the combustible gas sensor located in the cell pair package. By analyzing the sensor signal this unit will display the concentration level of the combustible gas (H<sub>2</sub>) that is present. The meter range is 0 to 100 percent lower explosive limit which for H<sub>2</sub> (at 100 percent lower explosive level) is 5 percent to H<sub>2</sub> by volume in the air. In addition to the display meter this unit provides for other light displays; green light for normal operation, blue light for a malfunction of the unit, amber light to indicate that the low level (adjustable) has been reached, and a red light indicates that the high level (adjustable) has been reached. The unit is wired to shut down the system and actuate a warning buzzer when the low level (10 percent lower explosive limit) has been reached.

Indicator Lights & Push Button Switches.- (Items 7 & 8) - Mfg., Micro Switch P/N 4A21B31DWK (Lights) & 4A21BEA (Switch). The indicators and switches are a flat black assembly with caps that light up in various colors and display a legend when actuated. The legend on the indicators are hidden until the unit is actuated. The legend on the push buttons are always visible. The following is a description of each unit.

Indicator Lights.-

<u>Legend</u>		<u>Color When On</u>
Power Loss	-	White
H <sub>2</sub> Leak	-	White
Air Flow	-	White
WVE Power	-	White

<u>Push Buttons</u>		<u>Type of Switch</u>
Power	-	Green
System Start	-	Blue
Stop	-	Red
		2 pole (DPDT) momentary
		2 pole (DPDT) alt. action
		2 pole (DPDT) momentary

Selector Switch.- (Item 14) - Mfg., Micro Switch P/N PA-3007. This seventeen position switch is a four-pole, four-section rotary switch used to select the various system performance parameters for display on the digital meter (item 15).

Stepping Relay.- Mfg., C. P. Clare P/N SS255. This is a twenty position stepping relay of which only sixteen positions are used. This relay will automatically select each system performance parameter in turn and display it on the digital meter for four seconds. The cycling of the relay every four seconds and the fast cycle through the switch positions which are not used is done by an electronic circuit that was added to the unit.

HDC Current Control Adjustment.- (Item 3) - Mfg., Bourns P/N 35075-1-103. The HDC current control adjustment is done by adjusting the potentiometer (10 k, 10 turn linear unit) to the proper balancing voltage that controls the HDC current to the desired value.

WVE Power Supply.- (Item 6) - Mfg., Hewlett Packard P/N 6260B. This is a rack-mounted direct current power supply unit of 0-10 Vac and 0-100 amperes, using 220 Vac as the input. This power supply has been factory modified to allow automatic current programming. This feature is used on system shutdown when it is desired to reduce the WVE input current to zero, prior to shorting out the WVE's. The power supply was procured by NASA JSC and supplied as Government furnished equipment to this program. (NASA Product Control No. 99697).

Control Power Supplies.- Mfg., DYNAGE, Inc. P/N's MB 5-6, MB 23-24 & (3) MA 5-15. These control direct current power supplies provide the necessary reference and drive powers which the various electronics require. The following control power is provided.

MB 5-6	5 volts @ 6 amperes
MB 23-24	24 volts @ 2.30 amperes
MA 5-15 (3)	5 volts @ 6 amperes (2) 15 volts @ 1.30 amperes (1)

Shunts.- Mfg., Simpson P/N's 6713 & 6709. The shunts are used to measure the WVE and HDC currents.

WVE current (to meter) P/N 6713 - 100 amps/50 mV

HDC current (control logic only)\* P/N 6709 - 50 amps/50 mV

Cooling Fan.- Mfg., Rotron P/N Type 103 (Feather). This is a 17.78 cm (7 inch) diameter fan using 110 Vac, 60 Hz power - a three-bladed fan used for cooling the electronics.

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\*The HDC ammeter has a shunt incorporated within the meter.

## SYSTEM FABRICATION

The fabrication task consisted of hardware procurement and manufacturing, cell pair assembly and system package assemblies.

### Cell Pair Assembly

Modification and refurbishment of the existing cell pair housings was required. This consisted of increasing the air hole size from 0.2286 mm (0.090 inches) to 0.356 mm (0.140 inches) diameter, changing the serpentine H<sub>2</sub> flow path of the center housing to make a serpentine path of three parallel cross flows instead of one, cleaning and replating the housings, and adding a 0.0254 mm (0.001 inch) thickness of baked-on teflon on the sealing surface of the outer housings.

The various type of electrodes were fabricated for the WVE and HDC at Hamilton Standard and at Pratt & Whitney Aircraft, South Windsor Engineering Facility. During the second and third rebuilds of the HDC cell pairs, additional electrodes were fabricated.

A typical HDC cell pair layout prior to assembly is shown in figure 23 and at various stages of the assembly in figures 24 and 24A. Upon completion of the assembly of a cell pair it was checked for electrical shorts and leak checked at 68.7 kPa (10 psi) pressure differential across the matrix.

### System Package Assemblies

After the procurement and manufacturing of the detail hardware was completed, the two main assembly efforts were the plumbing of the cell pair package and the wiring of the instrumentation/control package (reference figures 25 and 26).

The plumbing was done using stainless steel tubing and "Swagelok" tube fittings. After the initial plumbing was completed the plumbing was completely disassembled and the tubes were all cleaned. After the re-assembly of the plumbing, the system was functionally checked out and leak tested. The final hook-up of the H<sub>2</sub> lines to the cell rack/manifold housing was done after the housing and blower were secured to the base/frame. As the cell pairs completed their conditioning tests, they were inserted into the cell pair racks and prepared for the start of the system check out.



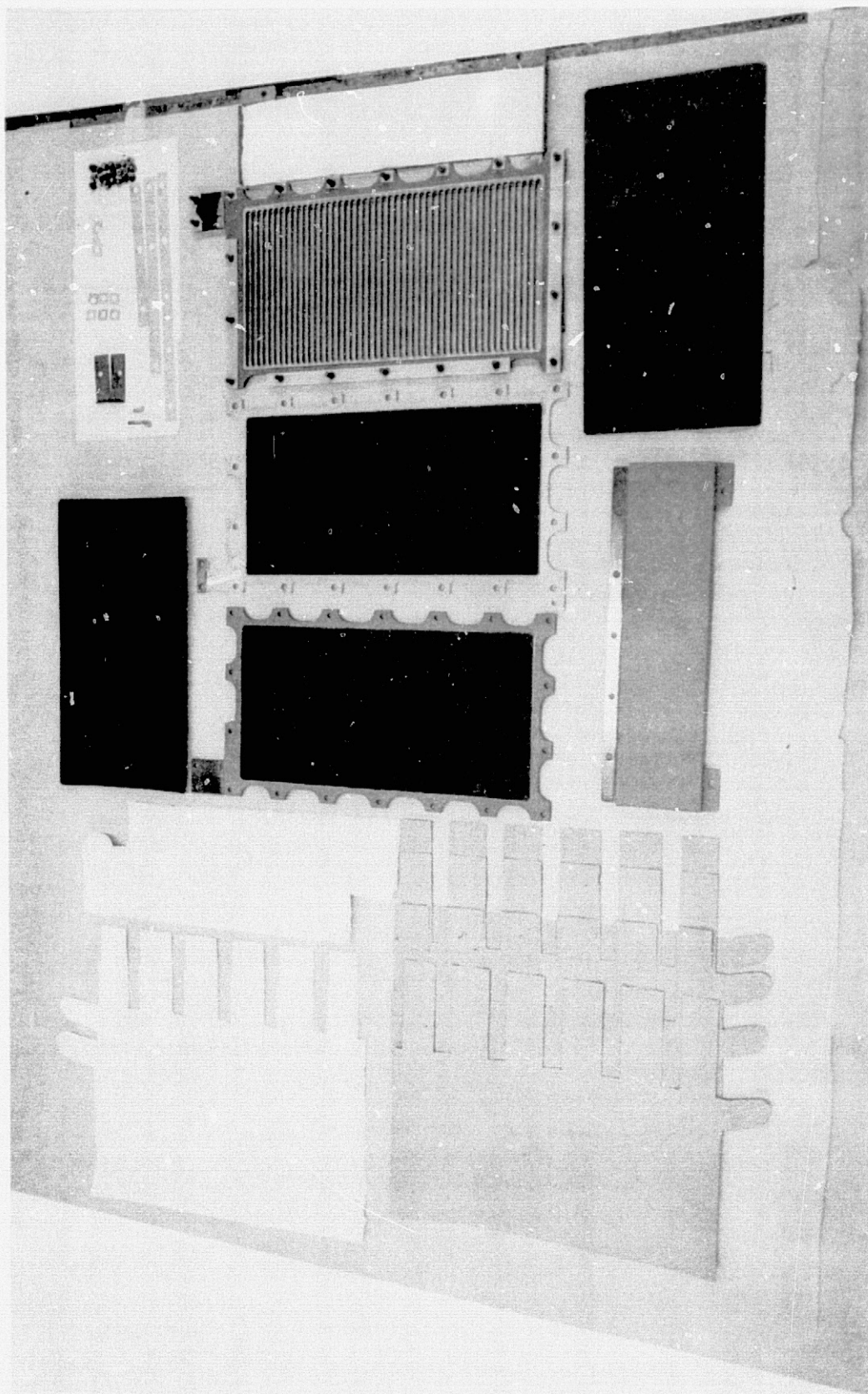


FIGURE 23 DETAILED CELL PAIR HARDWARE LAYOUT



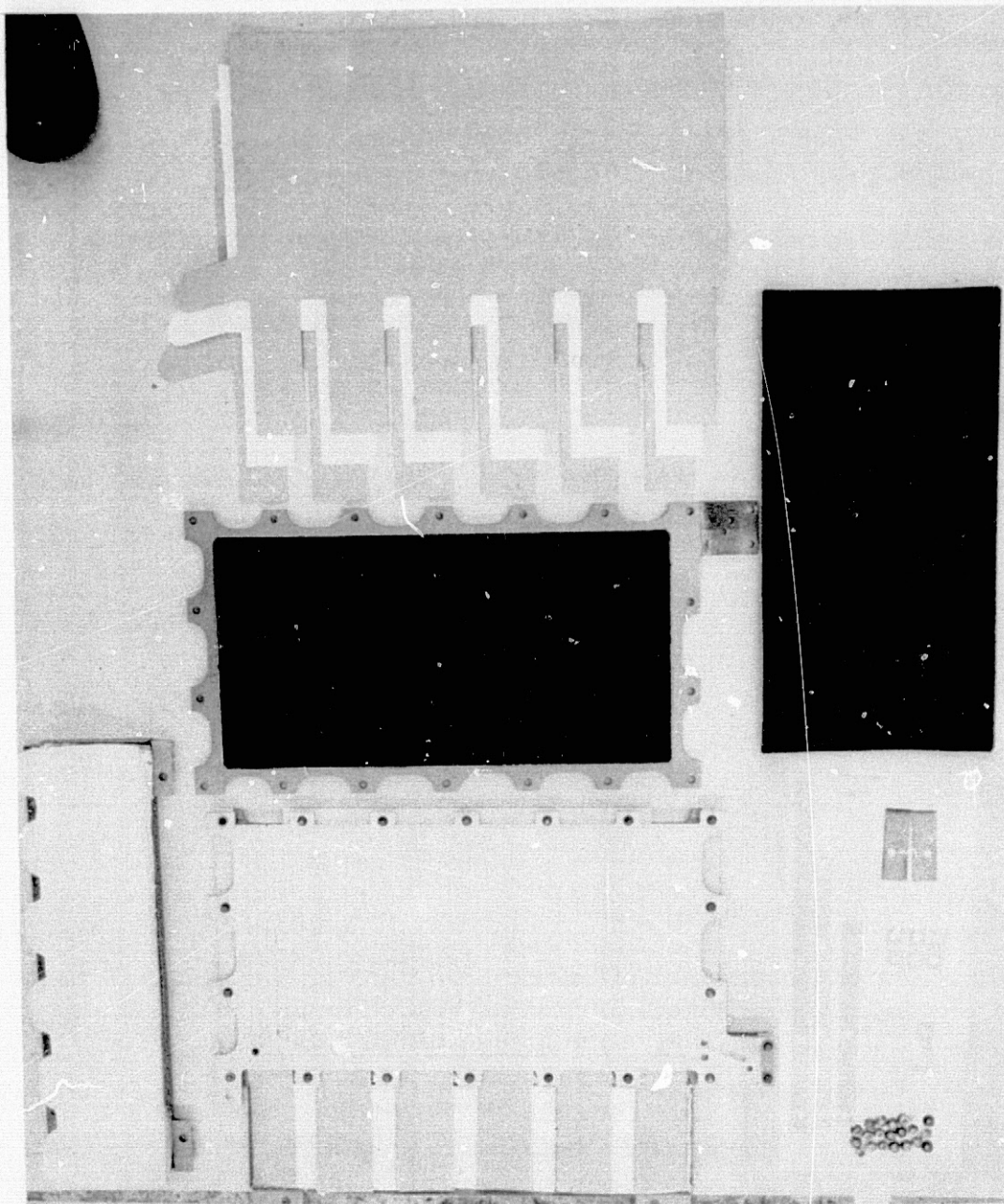


FIGURE 24 CELL PAIR PARTIAL ASSEMBLY

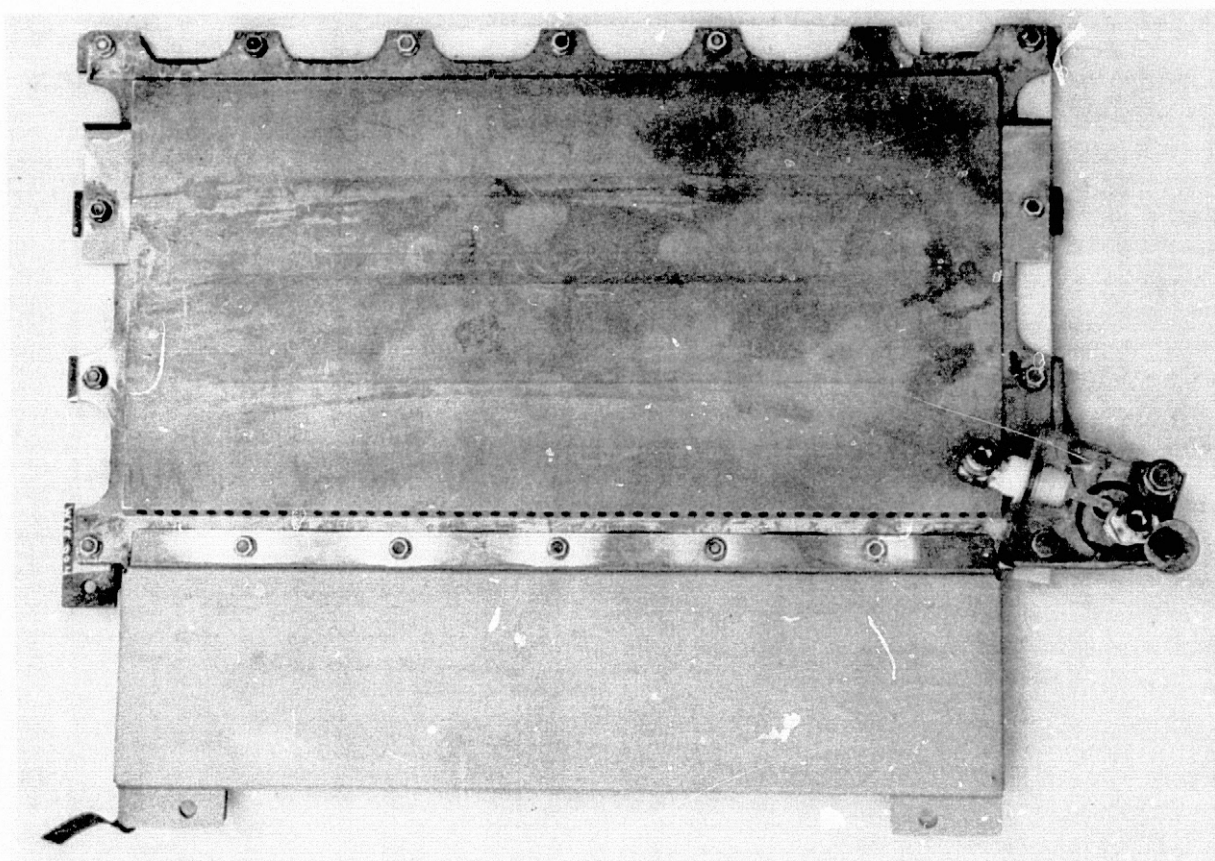


FIGURE 24A CELL PAIR ASSEMBLED



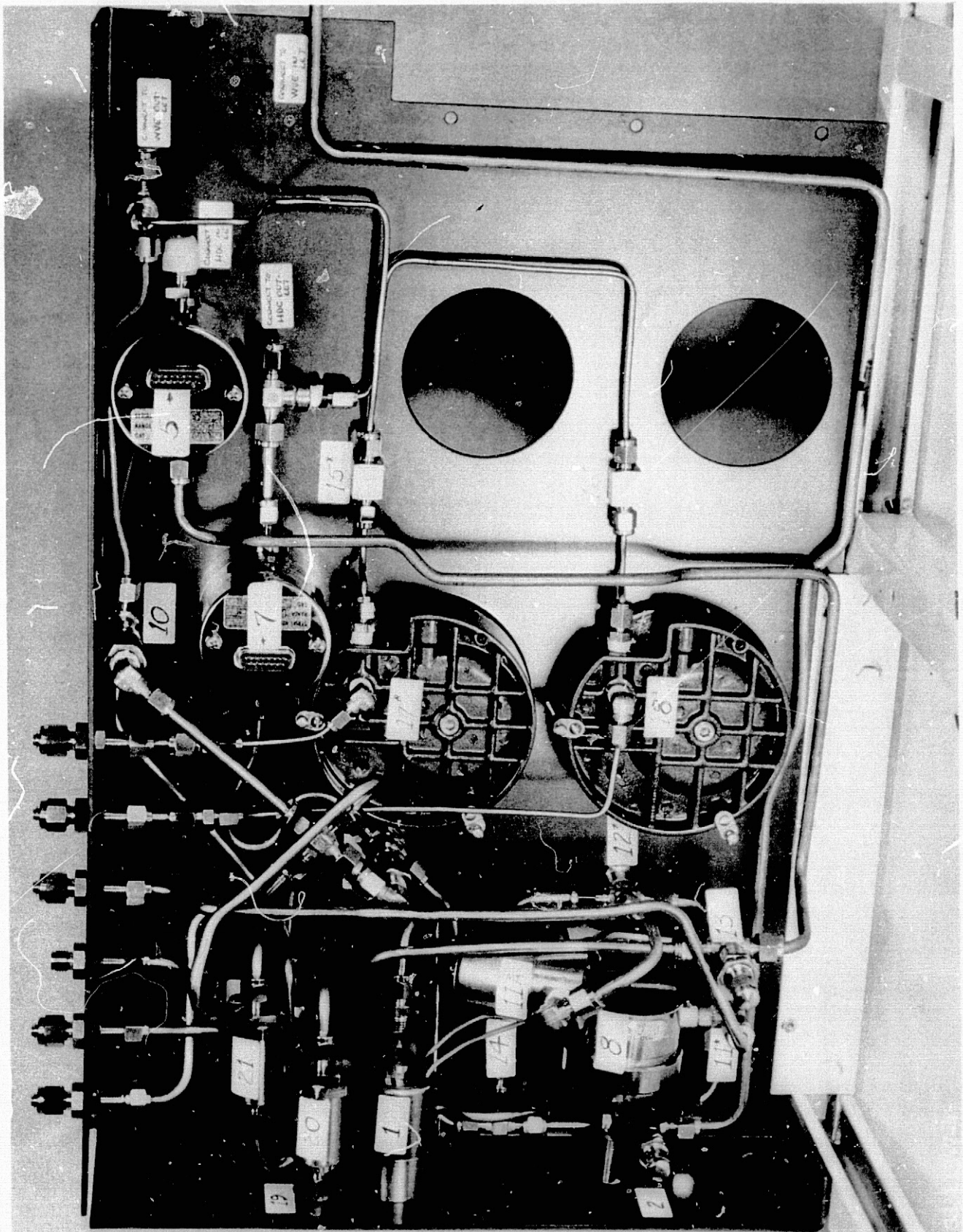
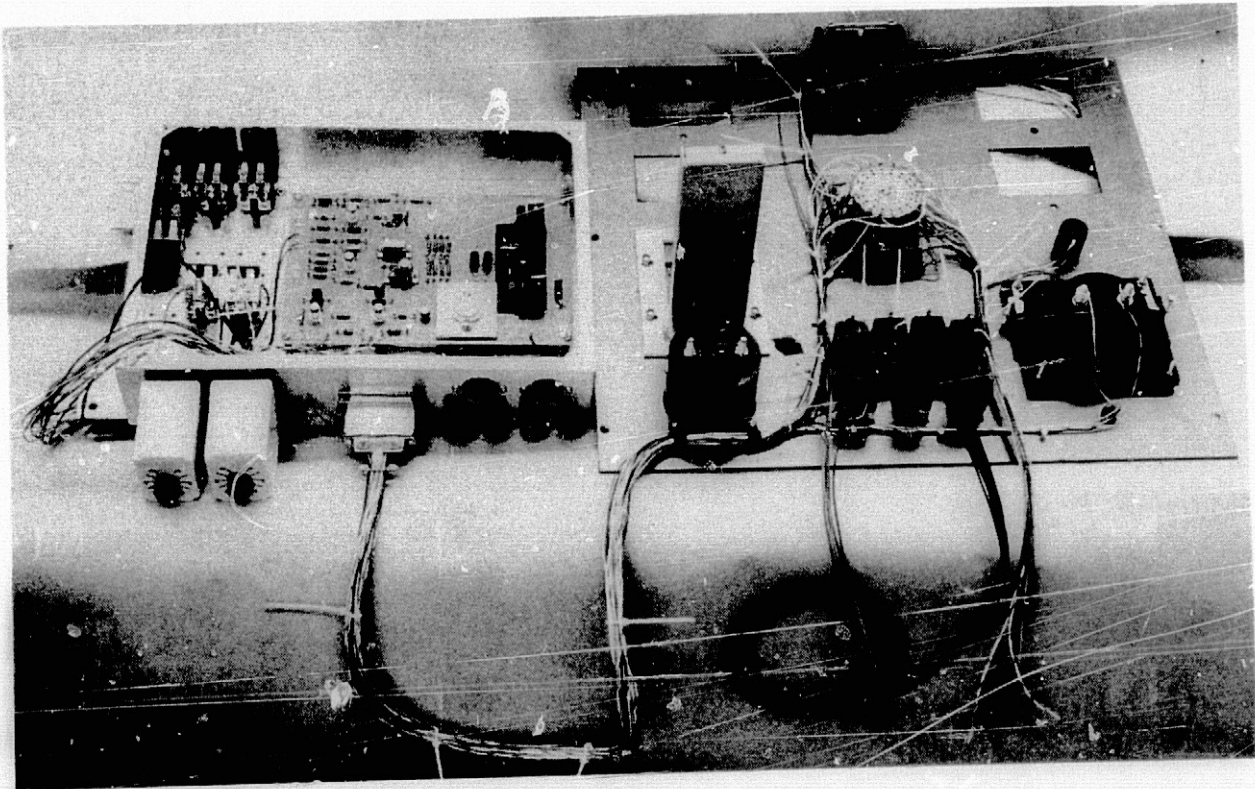


FIGURE 25 PLUMBING VIEW OF CELL PAIR PACKAGE

Mounting and wiring of the many electrical components in the electronic chassis was the major task of the instrumentation/control package assembly. As each circuit was completed and checked out, the various system operating functions were tested. Simulated system inputs and loads were used during these functional tests. The more complex circuits, (HDC current control; stepping relay; CO<sub>2</sub> removal calculator; etc.) were breadboarded and tested prior to their incorporation into the system circuitry. Some modifications and adjustments were made in the electrical circuitry during the initial testing of the system to reduce line losses and provide better system control.



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FIGURE 26 WIRING VIEW OF INSTRUMENTATION PACKAGE

## TEST PROGRAM

Testing of the WVE and HDC units under this program was conducted per the program master test plan included in this report as Appendix A. This testing consisted of cell pair conditioning tests and system performance tests. A special HDC test program also was conducted during this program to investigate further performance at the cell pair level. All testing was performed in the Advanced Engineering Laboratories of Hamilton Standard's Space Systems Department. The following discussion presents the performance data obtained during the component and system testing.

Component Testing

Component testing consisted of WVE and HDC cell pair conditioning tests and the HDC performance investigation. The purpose of the cell pair conditioning test was to condition the electrolyte in the cell to the maximum relative humidity level under which it would operate (maximum electrolyte volume). Conditioning the cell pair at this high a relative humidity provided the assurance that electrolyte would not be lost (cell flooding) during future operation at equal to or lower relative humidity levels. The component testing also provided an accept/reject criteria as defined in the test plan (Appendix A) for the cell pair before it started system tests.

## WVE Conditioning

WVE cell pair conditioning was performed at an inlet air condition of about 88 percent relative humidity and 294.25 K (70°F) dry bulk temperature, and an operating current of 50 amperes. The H<sub>2</sub> backpressure of 107.8 kPa (15.70 psia) was maintained on the unit during the test.

The performance of the four WVE cell pairs as shown in figure 27 ranged between 1.64 to 1.66 Vdc at the end of conditioning, which is within the acceptance requirement of not exceeding 1.70 Vdc. The voltage peaks shown on the second day of testing on S/N 002 and S/N 004 was a result of a low inlet dew point relative humidity of about 40 percent.

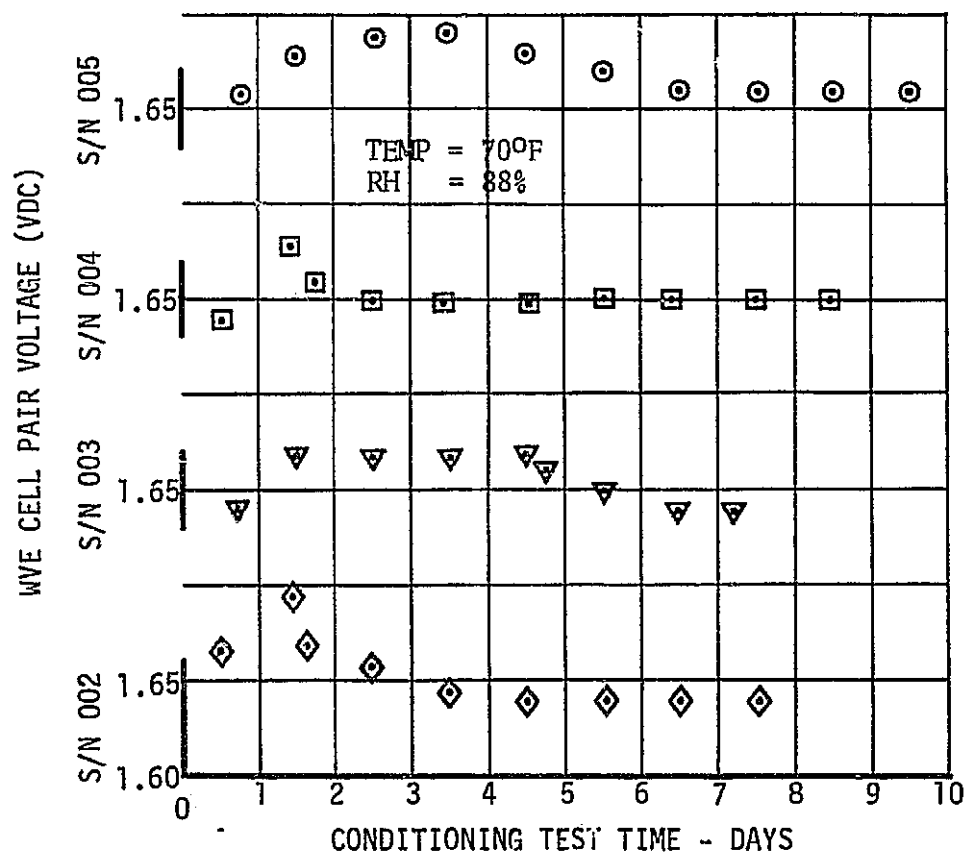


FIGURE 27 WVE CELL PAIR CONDITIONING

## HDC Conditioning

There were three series of HDC cell pair conditioning tests conducted. The first conditioning tests were made on cell pairs S/N 025 through S/N 028, the second conditioning tests, four months later, were made on cell pairs S/N 025A through S/N 028A and the last conditioning tests, three months later, were made on cell pairs S/N 029 through S/N 032.

The initial conditioning tests were conducted for approximately one week at a constant HDC current of 18 amperes with inlet air conditions of 0.395 percent  $\text{CO}_2$  at one atmosphere, 294.25 K (70°F) dry bulb temperature and 88 percent relative humidity. The performance of the cell pairs as shown in figure 28 reveals an average  $\text{CO}_2$  removal efficiency of 75 percent and the lowest steady state voltage of all four cell pairs was 0.200 volts. These cell pairs were acceptable and went on to system testing.

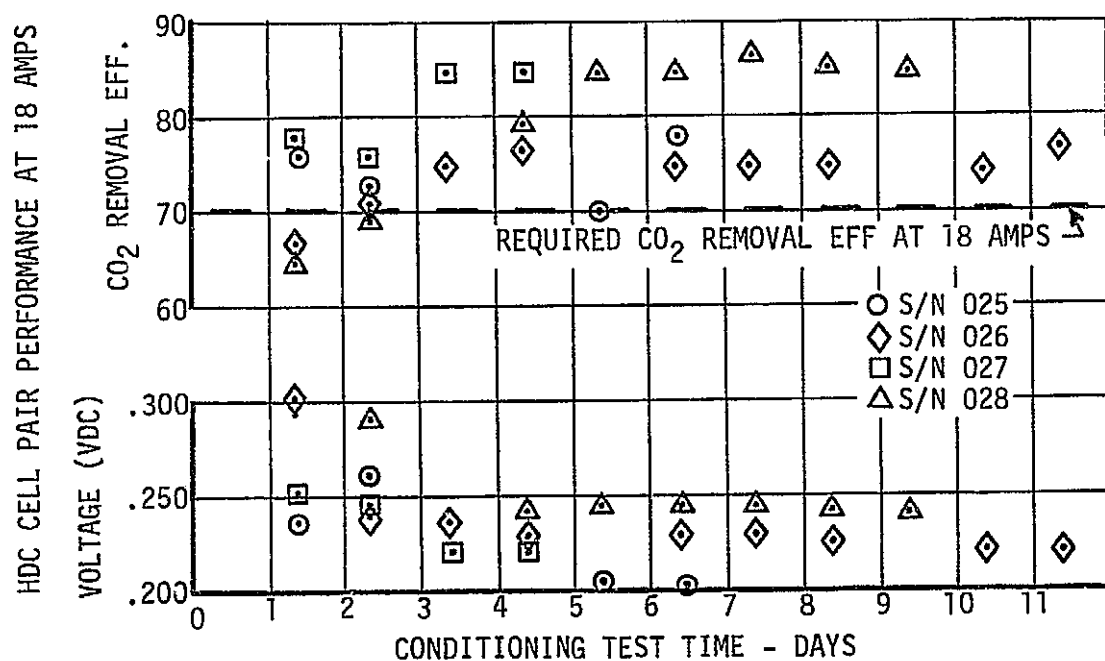


FIGURE 28 INITIAL HDC CELL PAIR CONDITIONING



The HDC cell pairs S/N 025 through S/N 028 were removed from the system testing because of the system malfunction which contaminated the HDC's with WVE electrolyte and were disassembled. The rebuild of these cell pairs included new electrodes and matrix which were made up of the same elements but from different lot numbers. The reassembled cell pairs S/N 025A through S/N 028A were conditioned under the same operating conditions as the initial assemblies, but the performance of the reassembled units was lower than before rebuilding as shown in figure 29. Because of this reduced performance, additional conditioning testing was conducted on three of these cell pairs (S/N 025A, 026A & 028A) as part of the HDC performance investigation.

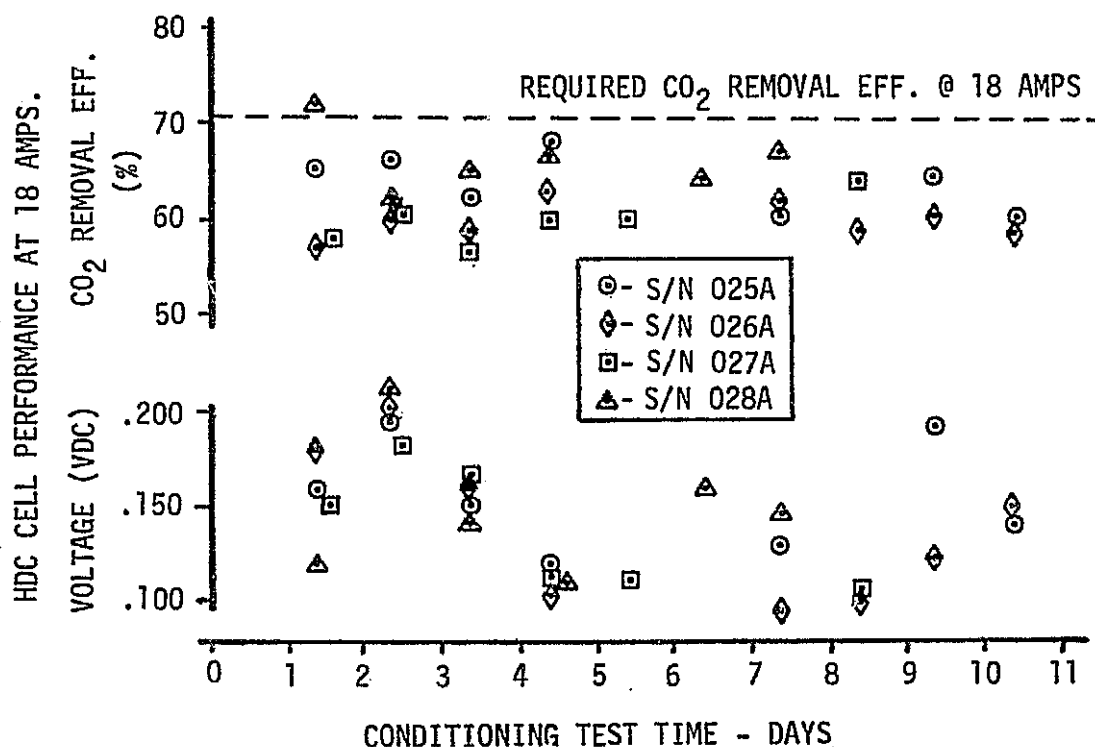


FIGURE 29 HDC CELL PAIR CONDITIONING (SECOND ASSEMBLY)



After the completion of the HDC performance investigation, the HDC cell pair assemblies S/N 025A through S/N 028A were rebuilt in accordance with the recommendations of the investigation. The conditioning of the final HDC cell pairs, S/N 029 through S/N 032, was conducted for at least two weeks and up to three weeks at 18 amperes, with inlet air conditions of 3 mmHg  $PCO_2$  at one atmosphere, 294.25 K (70°F) dry bulb temperature and 81 percent relative humidity. The performance of these units, reference figure 30, were satisfactory with  $CO_2$  removal efficiencies of all cell pairs above 70 percent. These cell pairs were placed on system test for the 90-day evaluation program.

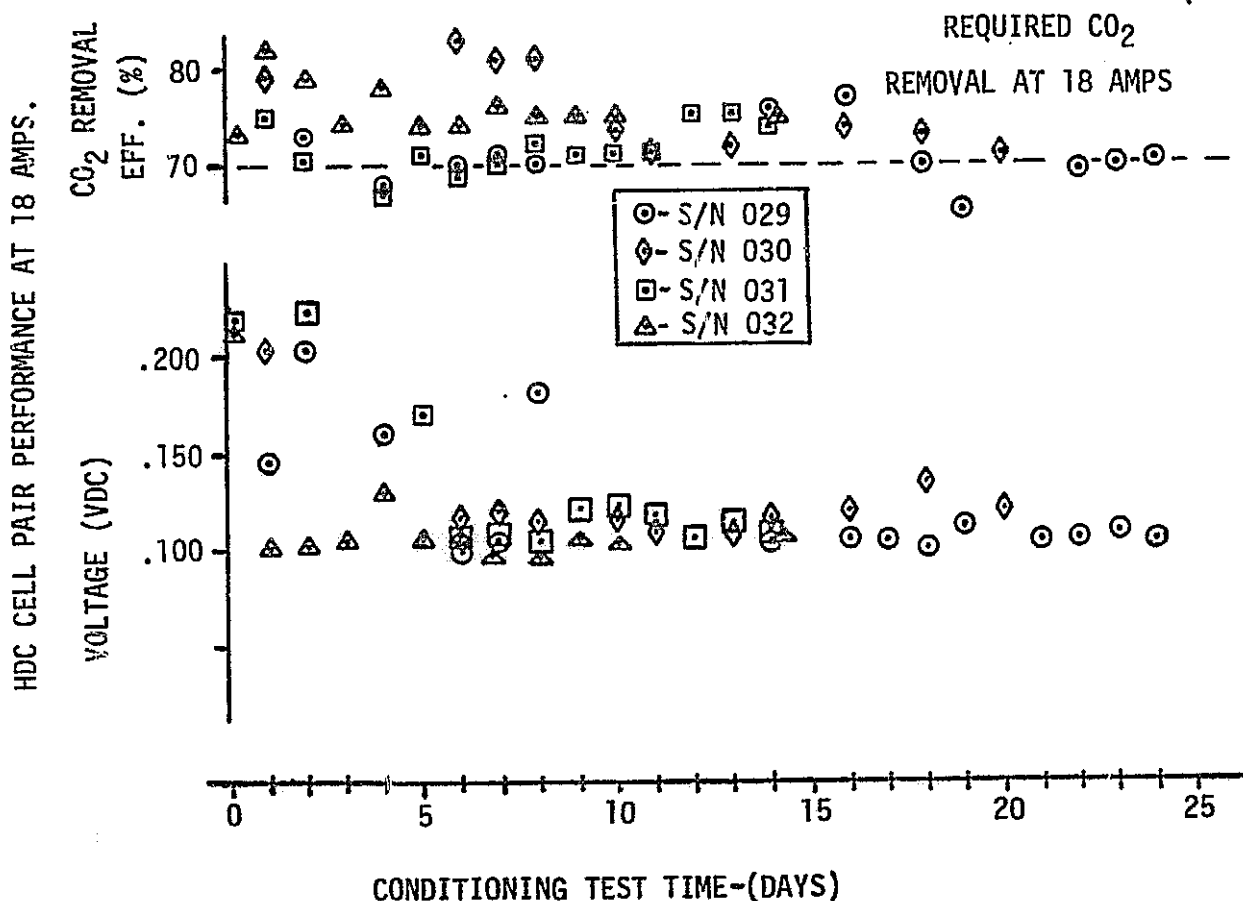


FIGURE 30 HDC CELL PAIR CONDITIONING (FINAL ASSEMBLY)

## HDC Performance Investigation

The lower CO<sub>2</sub> removal rate and output power that was revealed in the second series of HDC conditioning tests, S/N 025A through S/N 028A, prompted an investigation to determine the cause for this difference in performance. This investigation effort included continued cell pair testing, examination of the electrodes, matrix and electrolyte used in the cells, and the analysis of all this data to establish the possible cause and to formulate corrective measures.

Testing of cell pairs S/N 026A and S/N 028A was done at the conditioning test levels consisting of inlet air conditioned to 294.2 K (70°F) dry bulb, dew point of 292.0 K (66°F) and a CO<sub>2</sub> partial pressure of 400 Pa (3 mmHg). The CO<sub>2</sub> removal efficiency of both units showed a gradual increase from the low sixties to an acceptable level in the mid-seventies. The voltage of both units leveled off at approximately 0.10 volts, as shown in figure 31, where the decay rate became less than 50  $\mu$  volts/hr. Although the cell pairs demonstrated acceptable CO<sub>2</sub> removal and voltage decay rates, the absolute voltage levels were lower than those of the initial assemblies. The higher voltage level of the initial assemblies could not be reproduced in subsequent assemblies and when compared to previous TMA cells this higher voltage would be considered an exception. Cell pair S/N 026A continued on test for 75 days of continuous operation. The performance of this unit at 18 amperes leveled off at 0.11 volts and 70 percent CO<sub>2</sub> removal efficiency. Cell pair S/N 028A was restarted after 31 days of storage and operated for an additional 12 days. The performance of this unit at 18 amperes also leveled off at approximately 0.11 volts and 75 percent CO<sub>2</sub> removal efficiency.

The performance of cell pairs S/N 026A and S/N 028A improved with time to a CO<sub>2</sub> removal rate and voltage decay rate adequate for completion of the 90-day evaluation test. It appears that three of the four HDC cell pairs of this series, assembly #2, would have provided acceptable performance for system testing.

The analyses of the various parameters affecting HDC performance, utilizing the test data obtained through this investigation, revealed that the major contributor was the apparent change in the electrode catalyst. This is supported by the following discussion of test results.

The analysis of the electrolyte and matrix materials of the second series of HDC assemblies did not reveal any signs of contaminants. Comparison of the two batches of electrolyte used in assemblies #1 and #2, by means of potential sweeps and floating electrode tests gave identical results. It was, therefore, concluded that these two cell elements did not cause the change in the HDC performance.

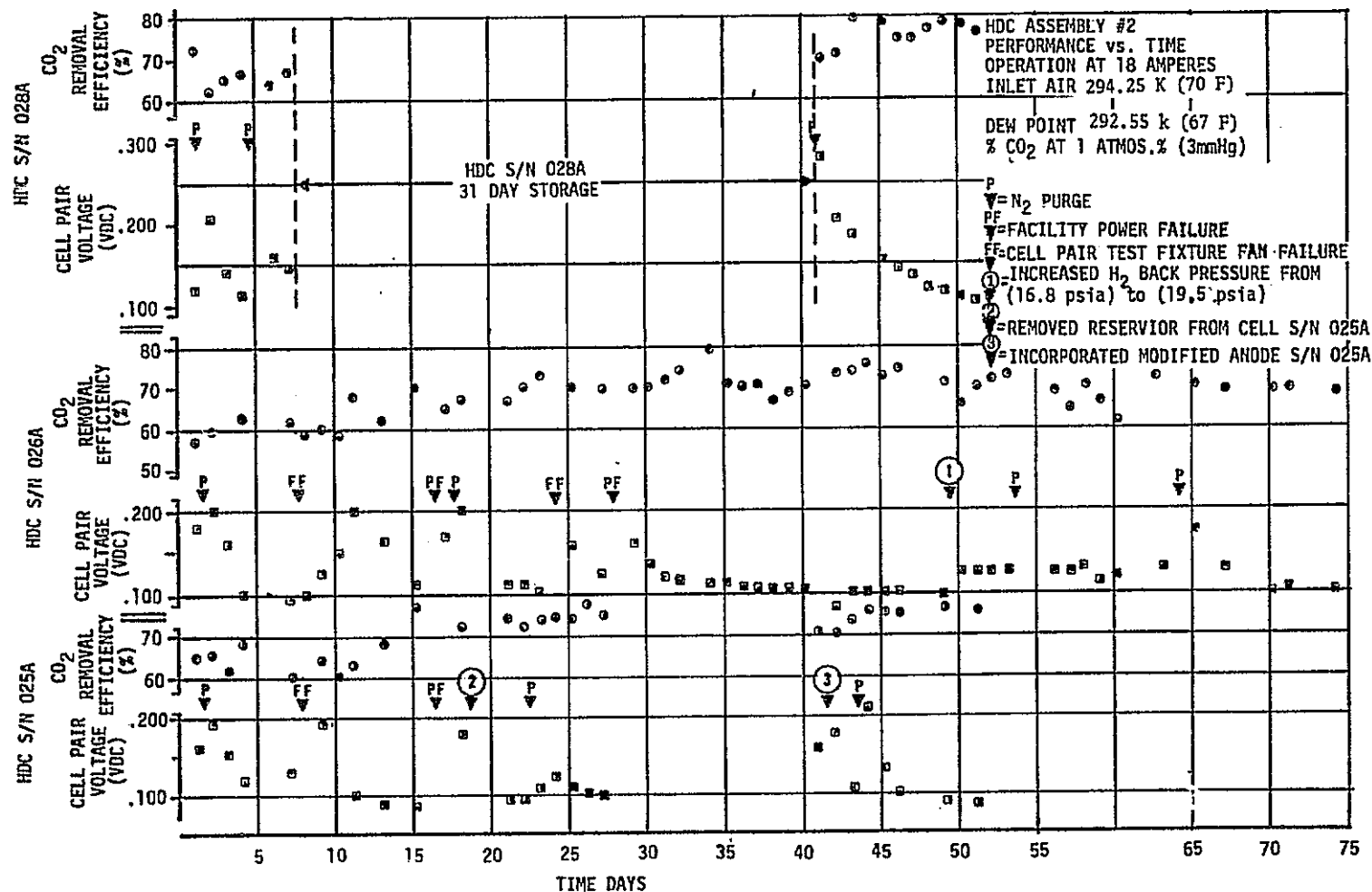


FIGURE 31 HDC CELL PAIR PERFORMANCE (HDC INVESTIGATION)

Micrographic examinations consisting of scanning electron microscope photographs (SEM), electron micrographs, microprobe and transmission of unused anode samples from cell assemblies #1 and #2 were made. The SEM examination showed a higher catalyst-teflon density in the center of the electrode cross-section than in the outside edge region, and this feature was somewhat more pronounced in the assembly #2 anode. Microprobe X-ray analysis for fluorine showed a high teflon concentration in the outer regions of both electrodes, which is an undesirable feature, but there was no apparent difference between the two samples in this respect. Transmission electron micrographs of 2000 angstrom thick cross-sections also did not reveal any significant difference in the structure of the two anode samples.

BET\* surface area measurements of the anode samples of assemblies #1 and #2 gave 25.3 and 20.1 m<sup>2</sup>/gram, respectively, and these results correlate with the BET surface area of the original platinum-blacks (29.2 and 25.0 m<sup>2</sup>/gram). There was also a difference in bulk density between the two platinum-blacks (0.606 versus 0.733 g/cm<sup>3</sup>).

These differences in the catalyst properties can have a significant effect on the electrode fabrication process and the resulting electrode structure. The structure of the electrode has an important bearing on electrolyte take-up rate and capacity, and the intra-electrode mass transport rate. Since the CO<sub>2</sub> transfer rate is controlled by mass transport within the catholyte, it is therefore sensitive to cathode structure and electrolyte take-up.

At the conclusion of this HDC performance investigation a meeting was held at NASA JSC to review the test data and the proposed recommendations for rebuilding the HDC cell pairs. The HDC cell pair fabrication and conditioning changes agreed upon at this meeting were (1) electrode fabrication to be done in a controlled temperature and dew point ambient environment, (2) increased catalyst mixing time, (3) pre-checking of the platinum-black for surface area and bulk density, (4) improved quality control during electrode fabrication, (5) performing of floating electrode tests on new electrodes prior to incorporation in cell pairs, (6) pre-checking the electrolyte for contaminants, (7) conditioning the cell parts at an inlet air temperature of 294. K (70 °F) and dew point of 290. K (64 °F), and (8) allowing conditioning tests to run up to three weeks to obtain steady state performance. These changes were incorporated in the HDC assembly #3.

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\*A technique of measuring the surface area by gas absorption which was developed by Brummer, Emmet and Teller (BET).

### System Testing

Testing of the One Man E/C ARS was done in three phases. The first phase lasted 50 calendar days with 900 hours of "on" time accumulated. The second phase was the 90-day system test with the third assembly series of HDC. Phase three was a continuation of the system test beyond the 90 days to verify performance at an inlet air  $P_{CO_2}$  of 400 Pa (3.0 mmHg).

#### Phase I

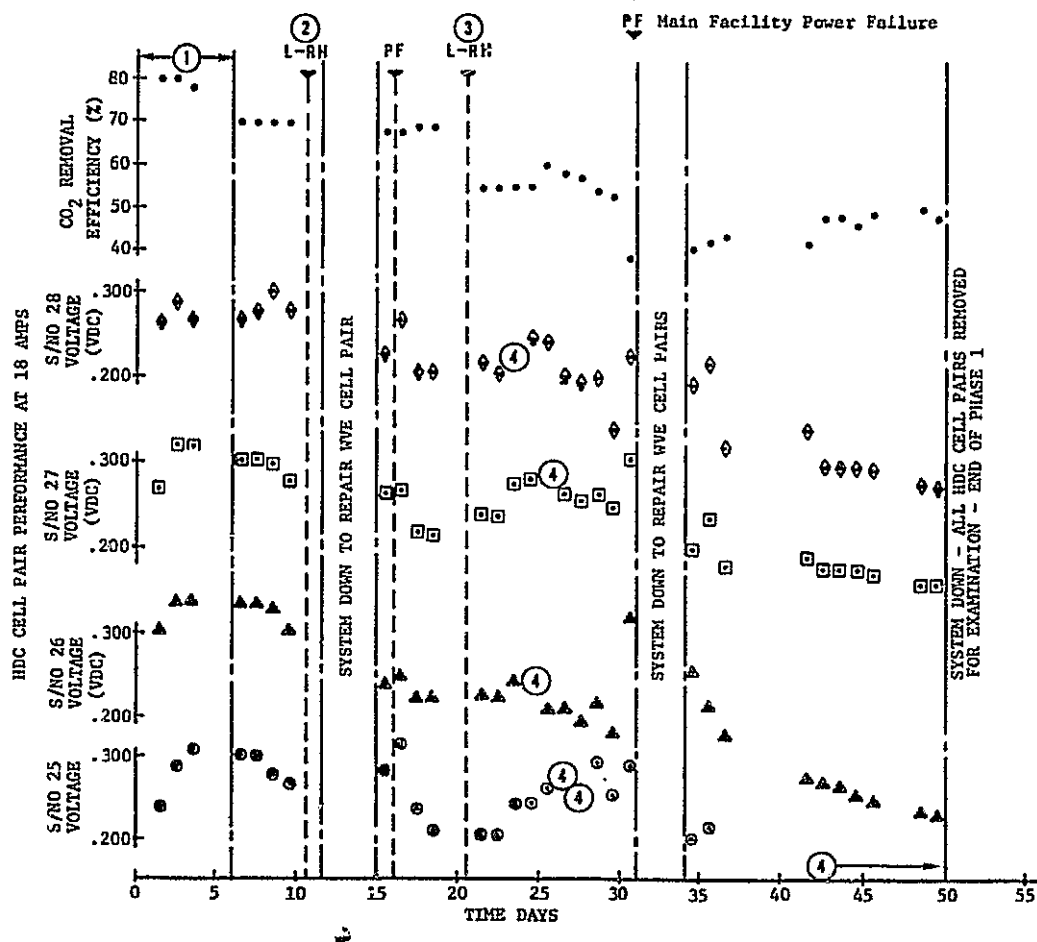
Phase I was the initial integration and check out of the system packages and test facility. During this phase numerous shutdowns were necessary for debugging the system, checking various operating modes and automatic shutdown procedures, and making modifications to the test facility.

The system shake down test was run at an air inlet temperature of 294 K (70°F), a  $CO_2$  level of 0.33 percent ( $P_{CO_2} = 2.5$  mmHg), and a relative humidity of 70 percent. The performance of the HDC and WVE cells is shown in figures 32 and 33, respectively. For the first six days the system was in operation for only eight hours per day. A failure in the test rig air conditioning after 10.5 days resulted in a relative humidity condition well below specifications, and a subsequent hydrogen leak in the seal area of one WVE cell pairs, S/N 003, developed. Upon examination it was determined that the hydrogen leak had occurred in this particular cell because of a relatively rough gold plating on the center housing. This was corrected by replating the housing and reassembling the cell with new matrix and electrolyte. Testing was resumed in three days without pre-conditioning the rebuilt cell. Shortly after, a step decrease in  $CO_2$  removal efficiency was noted and the HDC cells were removed from the system one at a time to check the individual efficiencies in a separate chamber under identical conditions. During this time system operation continued with three HDC cell pairs. The system  $CO_2$  removal efficiency ranged from 56 percent to 61 percent, while the separate, individual cell pairs revealed the following efficiencies:

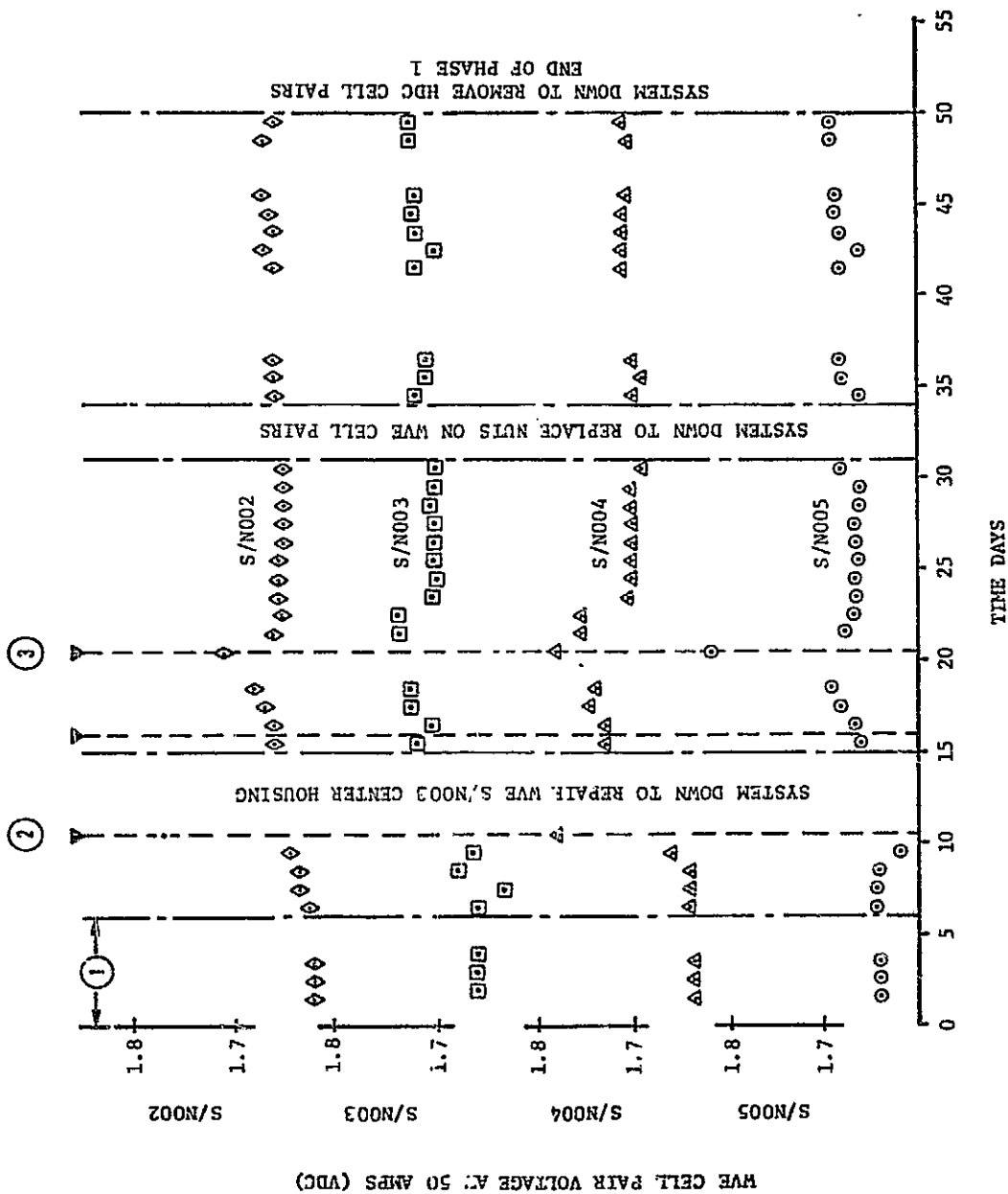
S/N 025	-	48 percent
S/N 026	-	64 percent
S/N 027	-	65 percent
S/N 028	-	56 percent

- ① System Only Operated on First Shift. When Not Attended System Was Purged and Shut Down.
- ② Low Inlet Air Relative Humidity 15% at 296.45 k(74°F)  
L-RH Dry Bulb Temp.
- ③ Low Inlet Air R.H. 20% at 297.05 k(75°F)  
L-RH Dry Bulb Temp.
- ④ Indicates The HDC Cell Pair That Was Removed From Sys. Test and Placed on a Separate Cell Pair Test.

↓ N<sub>2</sub> Purge (Approx. 10 min.)  
↓ PF Main Facility Power Failure



**FIGURE 32 PHASE I SYSTEM PERFORMANCE (HDC)**



By the end of the 28th test day, all the HDC's had been reinstalled in the system and the CO<sub>2</sub> transfer efficiency was 54 percent at an inlet relative humidity of 76 percent. The inlet air relative humidity was then increased in expectation that this would increase the cell efficiency. Within 24 hours after operating at 90.4 percent relative humidity a second step change in CO<sub>2</sub> removal efficiency, from 55 percent to 40 percent was noted, and after 48 hours, the system shut itself down automatically because of a hydrogen leakage in the WVE section. The investigation of this H<sub>2</sub> leakage and the two step changes in cell efficiency revealed the following:

1. The operation at 90.4 percent relative humidity caused the WVE cell pairs to flood since they had been conditioned at 87.4 percent relative humidity, in accordance with the test plan.
2. The flooding of the WVE's allowed excessive sulfuric acid electrolyte to contact the WVE housing bolts at the air exit side. The low resistance path offered by the acid film caused the metal-solution potential of the stainless steel nuts to go into the transpassive region ( $>1.2$  volts) and rapid corrosion of the stainless steel nuts released the housing compression in the seal area allowing the hydrogen to leak.
3. Both step changes in cell efficiency occurred after a very possible contamination of the HDC's with acid from a flooded WVE; that is, after the rebuild of WVE cell pair S/N 003 without conditioning and after the 90.4 percent relative humidity operation.
4. It was reasoned at this time that H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> from the WVE cell pairs may have "leaked" into the HDC cell pairs. This would be equivalent to the addition of an inert electrolyte to the HDC cell pairs, which was known from previous testing to result in reduced CO<sub>2</sub> transfer efficiencies.

The nuts on the WVE cell pairs were replaced with titanium nuts and the system tests were continued with a CO<sub>2</sub> transfer efficiency of  $40 \pm 3$  percent. Testing was stopped after a total of 895 hours and the HDC cell pairs were disassembled for examination. This examination revealed massive contamination of the HDC cell pairs, as shown in figure 34, with acid and corrosion products. A qualitative analysis of the electrolyte from each HDC cell matrix showed large amounts of sulfate ion, which was not present in the original TMAC electrolyte, and considerable amounts of iron and nickel, the corrosion products of the stainless steel nuts of the WVE, were found also in the HDC matrix and on the cathode surface.

This evidence of a large contamination of the HDC cell pairs with acid explains the step change in CO<sub>2</sub> transfer and the slow voltage decay during the later testing in July.



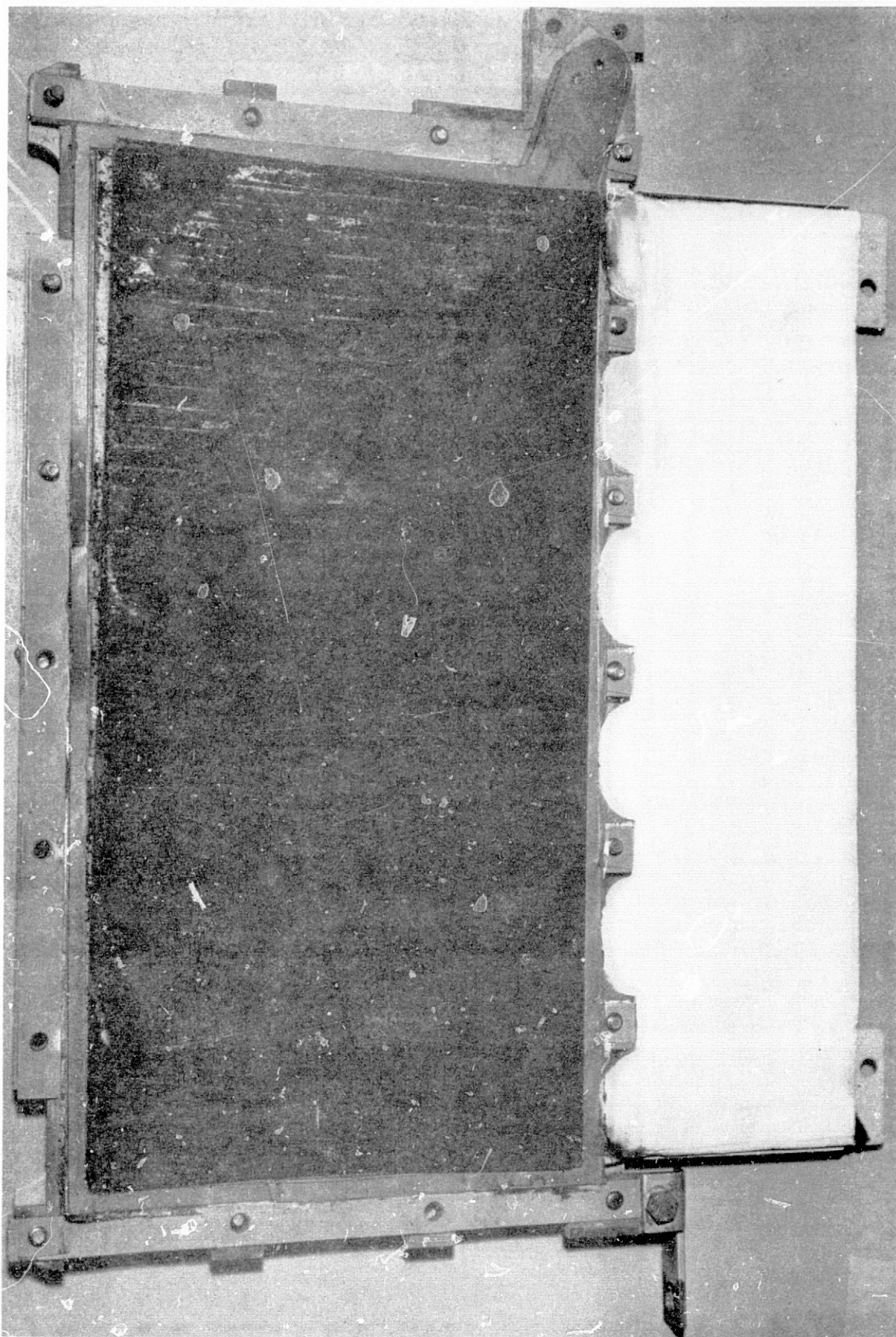


FIGURE 34 DISASSEMBLED PHASE I HDC CELL PAIR

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## Phases II &amp; III

To prevent any future acid contamination of the HDC cells the following changes to the system were made:

1. All cell pairs were conditioned at a temperature delta (the difference in the inlet air temperature and dew point) of 2.8 K (5°F) and the system would not be operated at a  $\Delta T$  of less than 3.3 K (6°F).
2. A drip tray was inserted between the last WVE cell pair and the first HDC cell pair in the cell pair rack.
3. A scrubber type filter containing LiOH was installed in the H<sub>2</sub> system at the inlet to the HDC cell pairs.

The WVE cell pairs remained in the cell pair package for approximately six months, while the HDC cell pairs were reassembled and successfully completed their conditioning tests.

After the completion of the HDC cell pair conditioning for the third series of HDC assemblies, the One Man E/C ARS was restarted for the Phase II 90-Day Test Program. The order of the cell pairs in the system rack was as follows:

<u>Cell Pair S/N</u>	<u>Position From Top of Rack</u>	<u>H<sub>2</sub> Flow Position</u>	
WVE 002	1 (Top)	All WVE	} All Cell Pairs in Parallel
003	2	Cell Pairs	
004	3	In Parallel	
005	4	H <sub>2</sub> Flow	
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HDC 029	5	1st to Rec. H <sub>2</sub>	} Air Flow
030	6	2nd	
031	7	3rd	
032	8 (Bottom)	Last to Rec. H <sub>2</sub>	

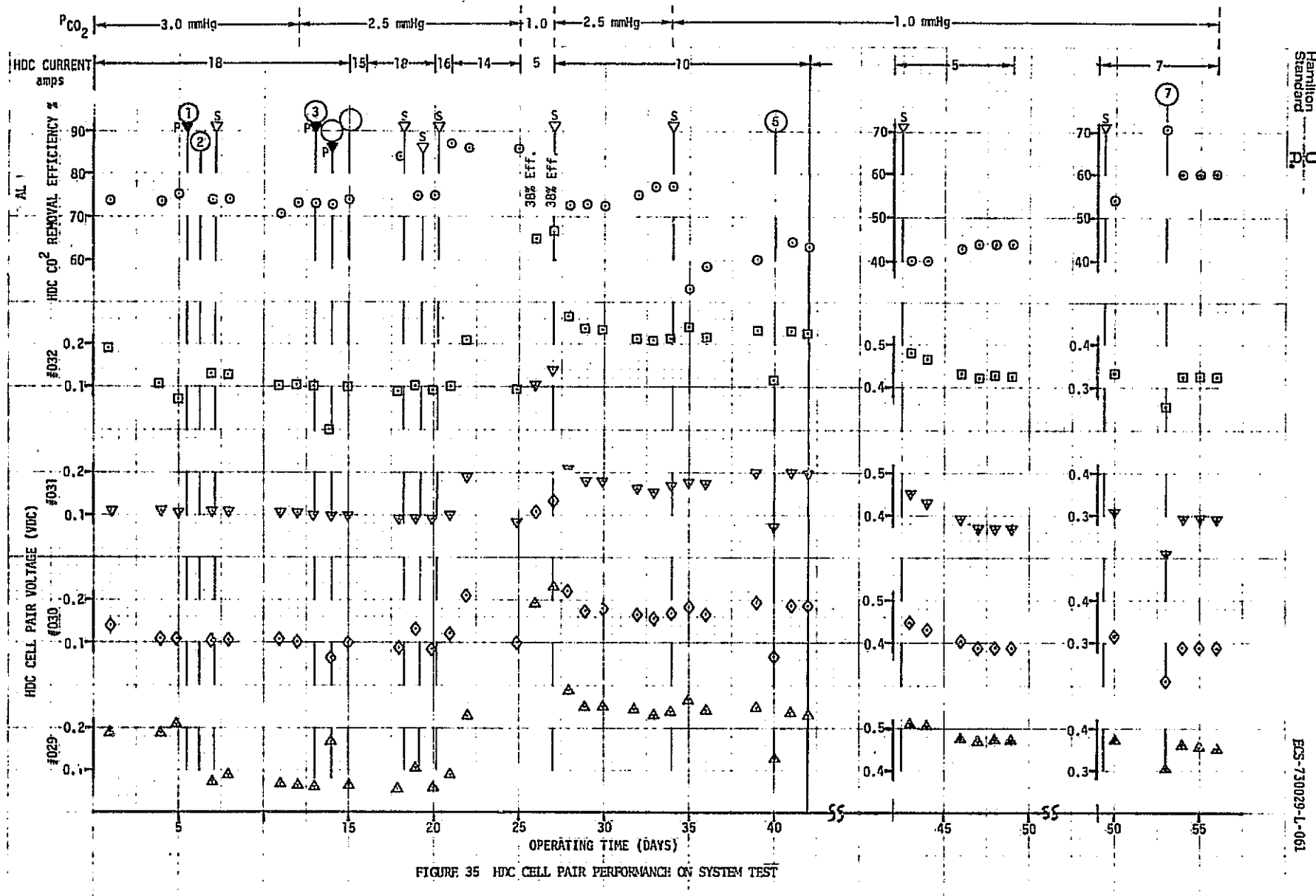
The initial data plotted in figures 35 and 36 showed the performance of the HDC and WVE units to be acceptable but revealed a steep decrease in voltage of HDC S/N 032. Since this cell pair was positioned last to receive the H<sub>2</sub> flow, it was thought that the CO<sub>2</sub> level in the H<sub>2</sub> gas stream, which passed through this cell pair, could be affecting its performance. In order to investigate this theory more, cell pairs S/N 029 and S/N 032, the first and the last, were switched places within the cell pair rack of the system. This switched position of the cell pairs S/N 029 and S/N 032 and the reversal of the H<sub>2</sub> flow through the HDC cells both revealed that the cell to receive the H<sub>2</sub> last had a lower power output than it did when it was the first cell to receive H<sub>2</sub>. This low performance can easily be restored to its original output by a short, 10 second N<sub>2</sub> purge. During this short purge cycle, the anode is brought up to the same potential as the cathode thereby oxidizing any poisons, such as "reduced CO<sub>2</sub>" (vide infra), which have accumulated on the anode catalyst. Testing continued with the HDC cell pairs S/N 029 and S/N 032 in their switched positions for the 90-day test program and for the Phase III extended system test period.

In order to obtain meaningful data, it was necessary to reactivate the HDC anode via a 10 second nitrogen purge at the start of each new test condition. The HDC voltage was measured as a function of time after anode reactivation to provide a comparison of the data under equivalent conditions.

A plot of HDC cell voltage versus log time revealed two types of behavior as shown in figures 37 and 38, depending on current density and air inlet PCO<sub>2</sub>. Low current densities and high PCO<sub>2</sub> tended to favor a single straight line relationship over the whole 10,000 minute duration of the test (figure 37), whereas at high current densities and low PCO<sub>2</sub> gave a relationship typical of that shown in figure 38, a break in the slope followed by zero voltage decay. The initial dV/d (log t) slope was found to be independent of time, current density and PCO<sub>2</sub> level. No significant HDC performance difference could be detected between cells with PPF versus DS16-0 anodes even though the structure and catalyst loading of the two electrodes is vastly different. The straight line relationship between cell voltage and log time is compatible with catalyst poisoning via a dual-site adsorption mechanism such as would be expected from "reduced CO<sub>2</sub>" (vide infra).

In acid solutions, CO<sub>2</sub> interacts with hydrogen adsorbed on platinum to form a strongly adsorbed species. This so-called "reduced CO<sub>2</sub>" is difficult to oxidize and decreases the catalyst surface area available for hydrogen adsorption.\* The rate and degree of poisoning by reduced CO<sub>2</sub> is dependent on the free CO<sub>2</sub> concentration in solution and is therefore very sensitive to anolyte pH. Above pH 9, the poisoning by reduced CO<sub>2</sub> is negligible. At potentials approaching 800 mV versus the hydrogen electrode in the same solution, reduced CO<sub>2</sub> is rapidly oxidized to CO<sub>2</sub> and this explains the effectiveness of a closed circuit nitrogen purge of the anode in restoring HDC cell power. It was also found

\*J. Giner, *Electrochim. Acta*, 8, 857 (1963)  
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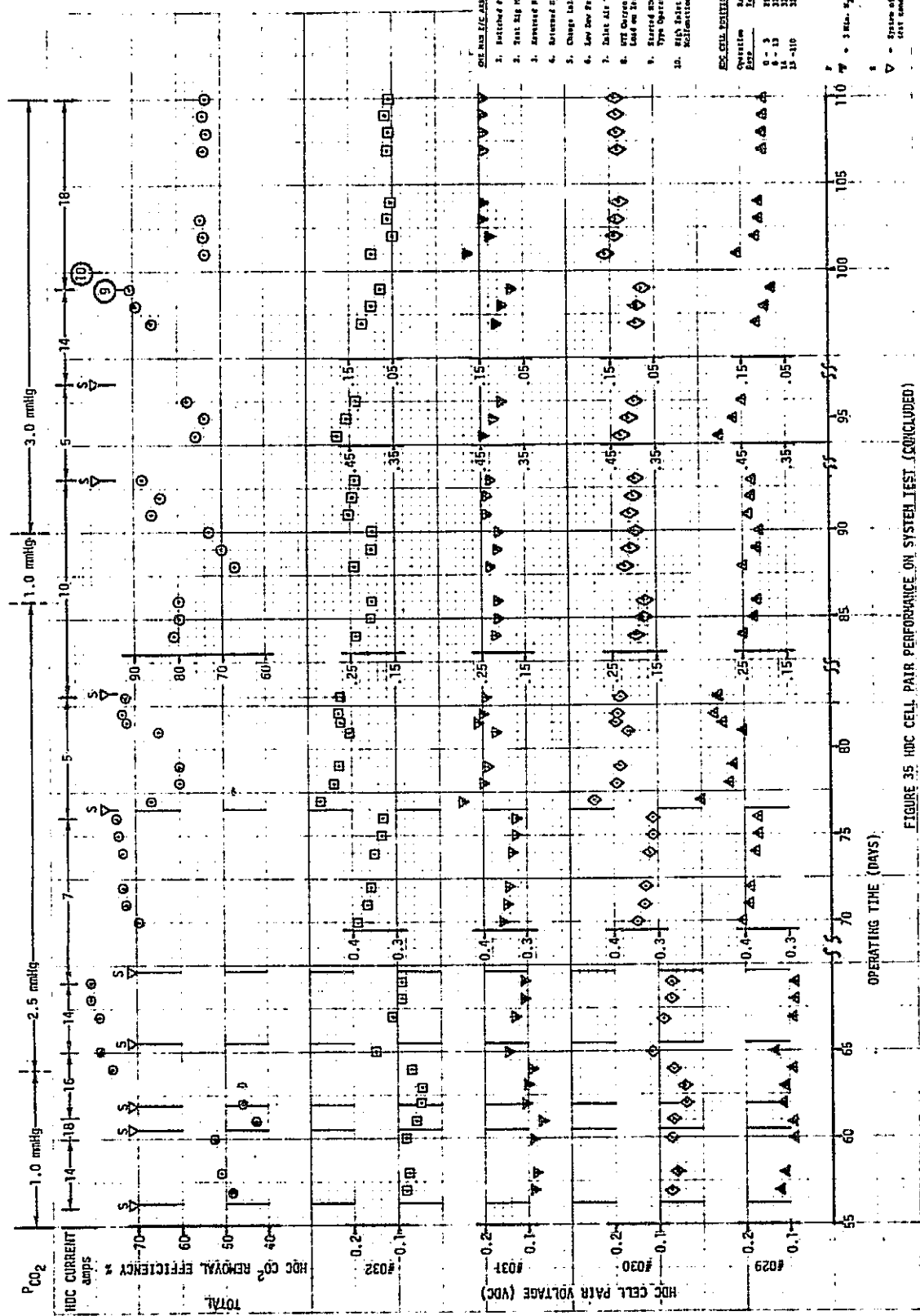


FIGURE 35 H2C CELL PAIR PERFORMANCE ON SYSTEM TEST (CONCLUDED)

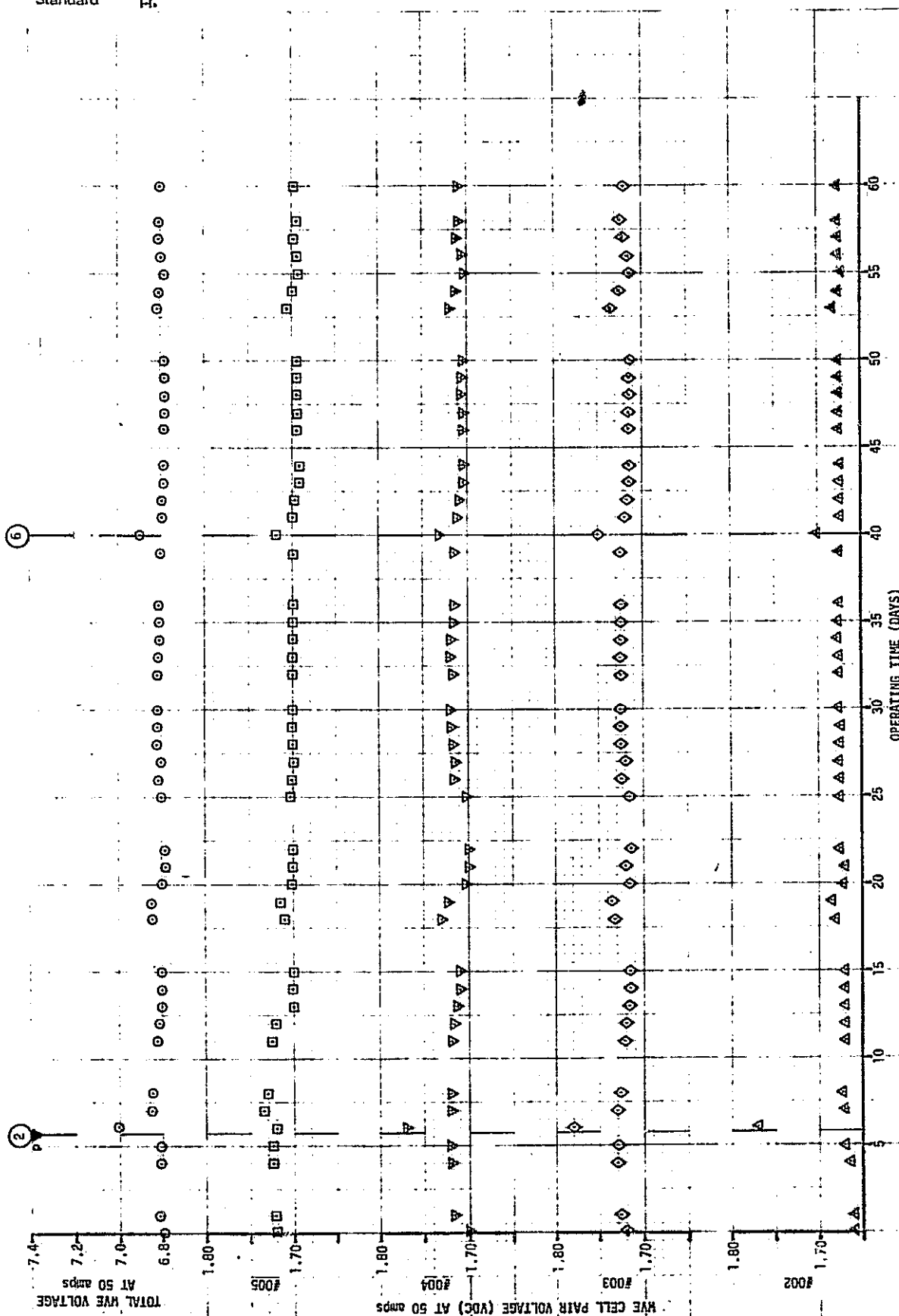


FIGURE 36 WVE CELL PAIR PERFORMANCE ON SYSTEM TEST

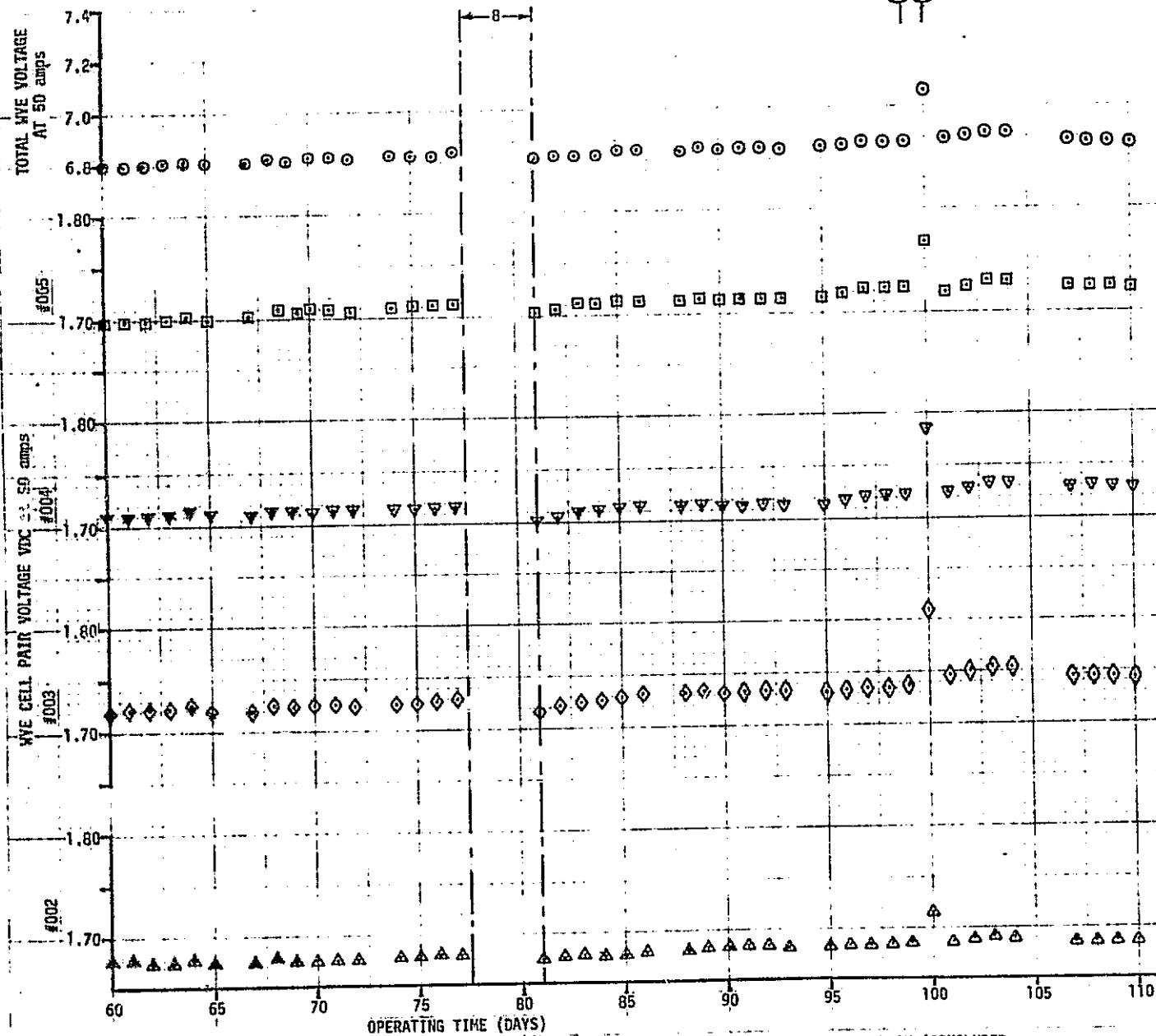


FIGURE 36 WVE CELL PAIR PERFORMANCE ON SYSTEM TEST (CONCLUDED)

- ONE PAIR S/C ARE**
1. Switched Position of HDC Co-1 Pairs 019-021.
  2. Test Rig Malfunction (Coolant Unit Off).
  3. Reversed  $H_2$  Flow thru HDC Cell Pairs.
  4. Returned  $H_2$  Flow to Original Direction.
  5. Change Inlet Air from  $68^\circ/61^\circ F$  to  $75^\circ/60^\circ F$ .
  6. Low Dew Point  $72^\circ/40^\circ F$  (Chamber Dew Point Malfunc.).
  7. Inlet Air Temp. Increased to  $76^\circ F$  Overnight.
  8. WVE Current Reduced to 20 Amperes to Minimize Heat Load on Test Rig. Avg Cell Voltage was 1.590 Volts.
  9. Started HDC at 18 amps with 1 Hour on and 5 Sec  $H_2$  Purge Type Operation.
  10. High Inlet Air Temp.  $113^\circ F$  Facility Coolant Unit Malfunction.

that a very short ( $\leq 10$  second) nitrogen purge is sufficient to restore power fully if the cell is maintained at the operating current during the purge. Under these conditions the anode is driven to high potentials more rapidly. Thus, the HDC anode can be reactivated in a very short time if it is forced into a potential region where reduced  $\text{CO}_2$  is readily oxidized. An open circuit nitrogen purge would have no effect except for relaxation of the cell concentration gradient and electroosmotic pumping force.

It now is believed that there is sufficient evidence to conclude definitely that "reduced  $\text{CO}_2$ " poisoning is the major cause of the short-term HDC power decay. The long-term decay rate (at an operating current of 10 amperes) determined from the data in figures 37 and 38 is less than  $10\mu\text{ V/hr}$ , which is excellent.

The current ( $\log i$ ) - voltage curve shown in figure 39 supports a poisoning mechanism for HDC power decay in that the exchange current decreases with time while the Tafel slope remains constant. It was also found that both the Tafel slope and the exchange current are independent of air  $\text{PCO}_2$  level over the 133 to 400 Pa (1 to 3 mmHg) range. One unusual feature is the steepness of the Tafel slope. This is the reason for the low HDC cell output power at the normal operating current of 18 amperes. A complete analysis of the various cell polarizations would be necessary in order to find ways of decreasing the Tafel slope and increasing cell power output.

The 90 day test program and the Phase III extended tests provided HDC parametric data, HDC short term voltage decay slopes, and long term performance variations on the WVE and HDC units.

The  $\text{CO}_2$  removal rate and transfer efficiency versus current density at three  $\text{PCO}_2$  levels is shown in figures 40 and 41, respectively. The current density for maximum efficiency increases with increasing  $\text{PCO}_2$  level. Operation at current densities above the point of maximum efficiency gives an increase in the absolute amount of  $\text{CO}_2$  processed but at a great expenditure of WVE power for oxygen production as discussed on page 37. There was no evidence of a change in  $\text{CO}_2$  processing rate with time and the one man  $\text{CO}_2$  removal requirements of 1 kg/day (2.2 lbs/day) can be met by operating at 16 amperes at an air inlet  $\text{PCO}_2$  of 400 Pa (3 mmHg).



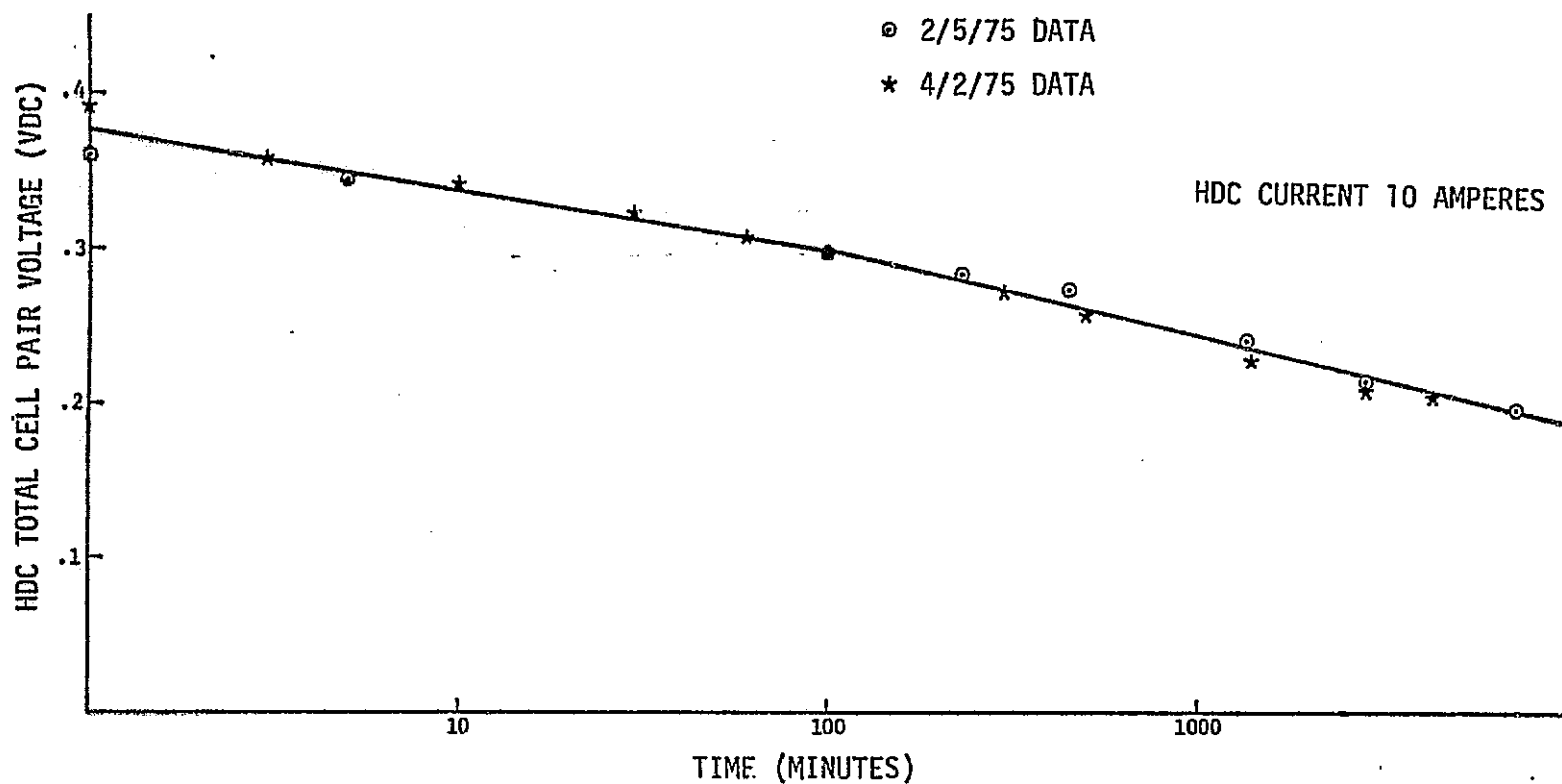


FIGURE 37 PHASE II HDC PERFORMANCE AT 2.5 mmHg  $P_{CO_2}$

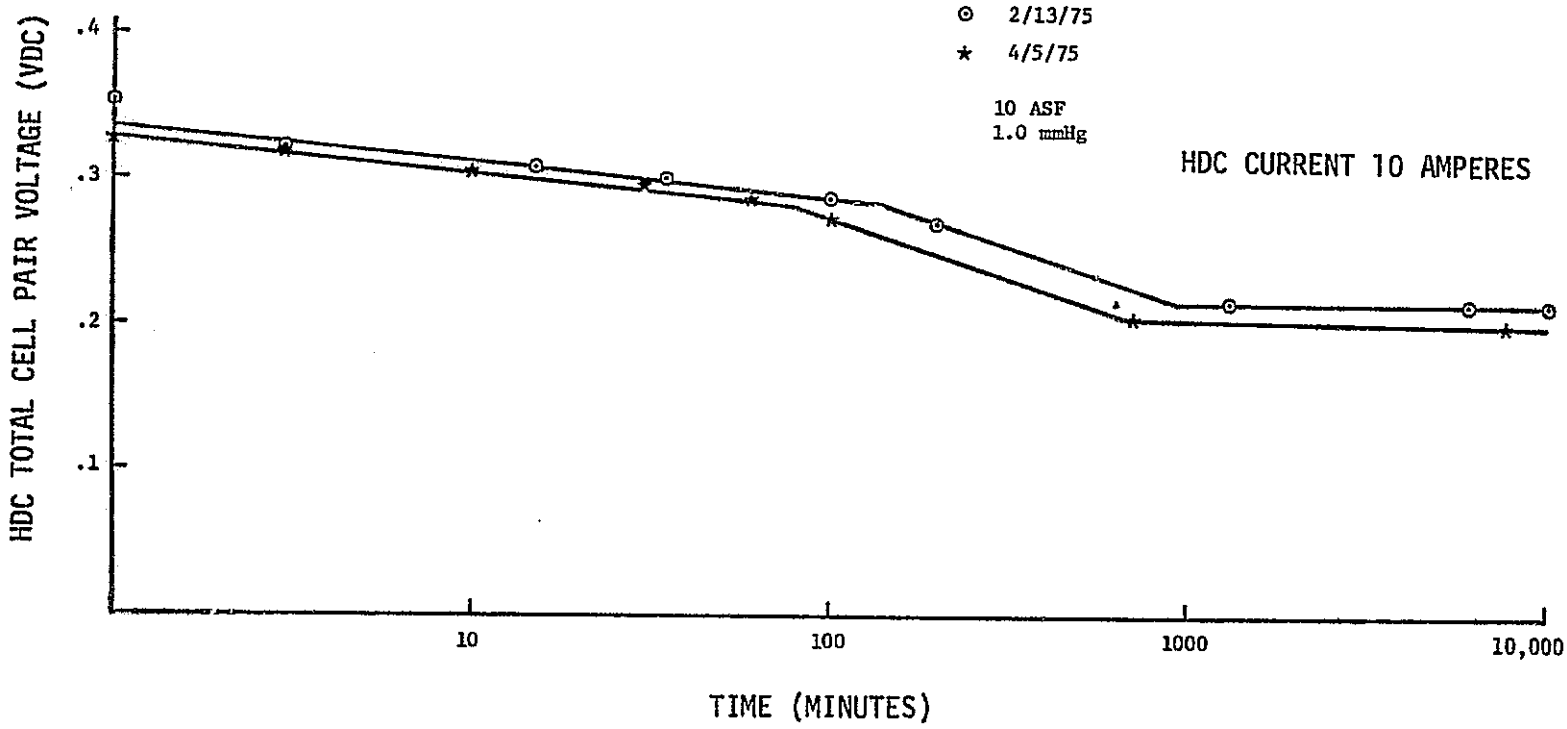


FIGURE 38 PHASE II HDC PERFORMANCE AT 1.0 mmHg  $P_{CO_2}$

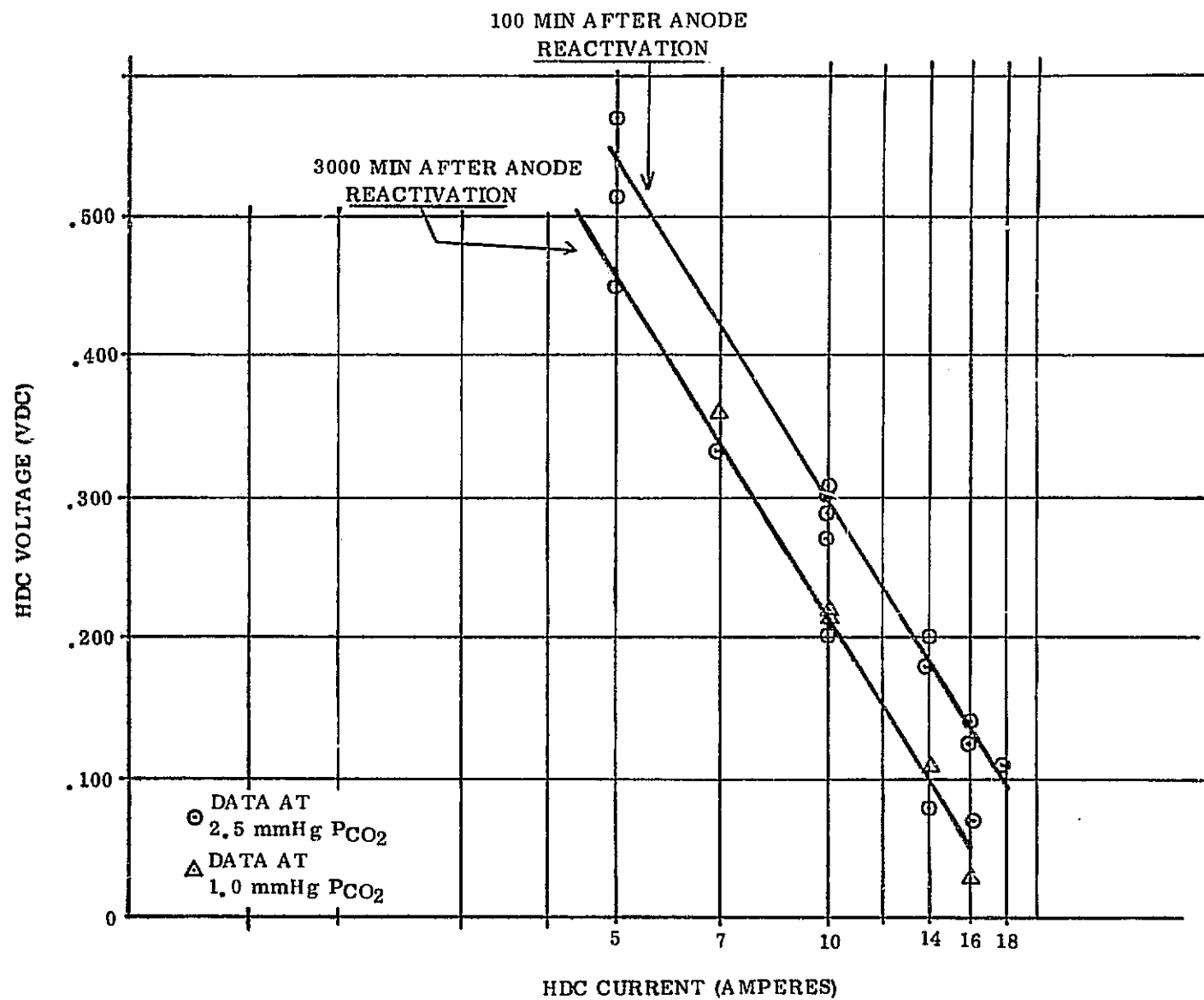


FIGURE 39 HDC VOLTAGE VERSUS CURRENT AT 1 mmHg PCO<sub>2</sub>

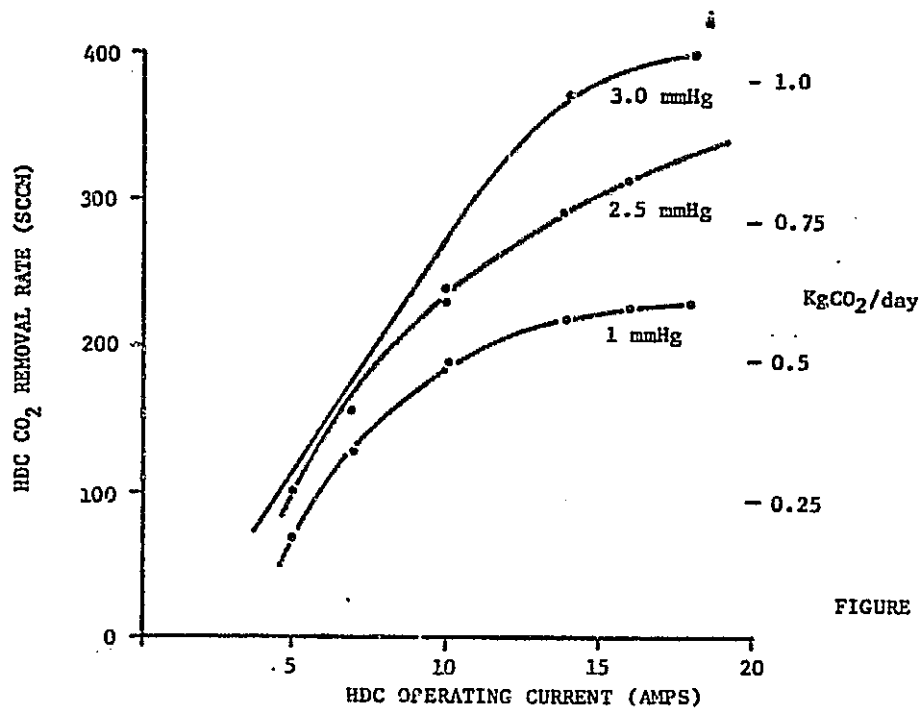


FIGURE 40 HDC CO<sub>2</sub> REMOVAL RATE VERSUS OPERATING CURRENT

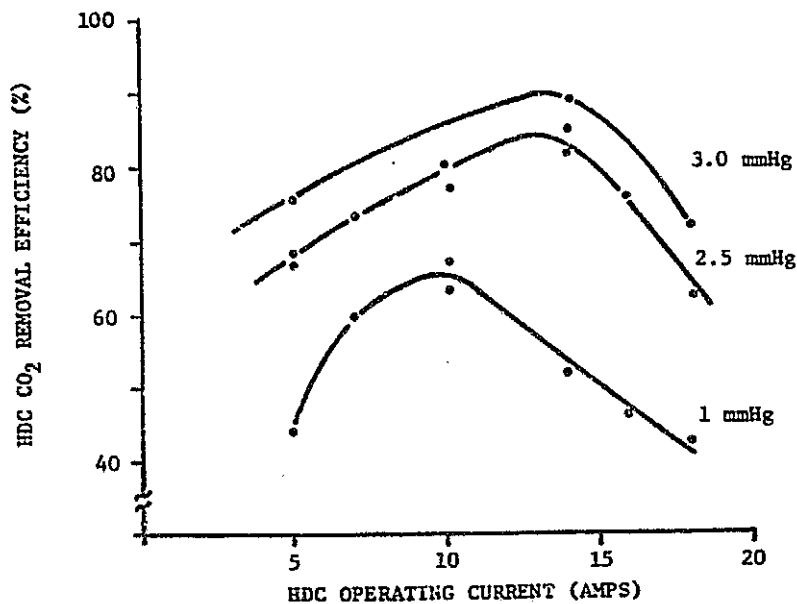


FIGURE 41 HDC CO<sub>2</sub> REMOVAL EFFICIENCY VERSUS OPERATING CURRENT

## HDC ELECTROLYTE PROPERTIES

The physical properties of TMA bicarbonate and hydroxide were determined for use in the NASA JSC math model of the HDC and for more complete comparison of the TMA versus  $\text{Cs}_2\text{CO}_3$  electrolytes of the HDC. The following properties of TMA bicarbonate and hydroxide were determined, as presented in Tables IV through VIII and figures 42 through 45.

- . Water Vapor Pressure versus Temperature & Concentration
- . Conductivity versus Temperature & Concentration
- . Density versus Concentration
- . Viscosity versus Concentration

The density measurements were made with a 25 ml pycnometer calibrated with distilled water. Weighing was accurate to  $\pm 0.01$  grams and the temperature was controlled to  $\pm 0.1$  K. The data should be accurate to four significant figures.

Viscosity measurements were made with an Ostwald Viscometer calibrated with distilled water. An average of ten time readings ( $\pm 0.01$  second) was taken for each point and the temperature was controlled to  $\pm 0.5$  K. The data is accurate to three significant figures.

A potentiostat operating at a constant voltage ( $100 \pm 0.5$  mV peak to peak) square wave of 1 k Hz was used to determine electrolyte conductivity. The resistance was determined by measuring the current extrapolated to zero time ( $\pm 2 \mu$  seconds) in relation to the voltage pulse, in order to eliminate electrode polarization effects. The current was measured to three significant figures and the solution temperature controlled to  $\pm 0.25$  K. The data should be accurate to three significant figures.

The electrolyte water vapor pressure was measured with a calibrated Cambridge Dew Pointer, accurate to  $\pm 0.25$  K, in a closed loop circulating system with solution temperature control to  $\pm 0.05$  K. Dew point measurements were made at a minimum of six solution temperatures between 278.15 K and 308.15 K (5 and 35°C) for each concentration. The data from the best line fit of the dew point versus temperature plot were cross-plotted as  $P/P^0$  (relative humidity) versus mole fraction  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  and  $\log P/P^0$  versus  $1/T$  to determine the numbers presented in the vapor pressure tables. The relative accuracy is estimated to be better than 0.5 percent.

TABLE IV WATER VAPOR PRESSURE IN kPa AND (mmHg) OF TMA BICARBONATE  
 VERSUS CONCENTRATION AND TEMPERATURE ( $P_{CO_2} = 101 \text{ kPa or } 1 \text{ atm}$ )

<div>Wt %</div> <div>K (°F)</div>	283.15 (50)	285.95 (55)	288.75 (60)	291.45 (65)	294.25 (70)	297.05 (75)	299.85 (80)	302.55 (85)	305.35 (90)
0	1.228 (9.21)	1.476 (11.07)	1.766 (13.25)	2.106 (15.80)	2.502 (18.77)	2.963 (22.23)	3.495 (26.22)	4.108 (30.82)	4.808 (36.07)
15	1.205 (9.04)	1.444 (10.83)	1.728 (12.96)	2.055 (15.42)	2.426 (18.20)	2.879 (21.60)	3.400 (25.51)	3.992 (29.95)	4.666 (35.00)
20	1.182 (8.87)	1.412 (10.59)	1.686 (12.65)	2.000 (15.00)	2.381 (17.86)	2.809 (21.07)	3.302 (24.77)	3.868 (29.02)	4.492 (33.70)
25	1.152 (8.64)	1.376 (10.32)	1.640 (12.30)	1.944 (14.58)	2.294 (17.21)	2.709 (20.32)	3.173 (23.80)	3.706 (27.80)	4.324 (32.44)
30	1.117 (8.38)	1.330 (9.98)	1.586 (11.90)	1.877 (14.08)	2.203 (16.53)	2.595 (19.47)	3.053 (22.90)	3.542 (26.57)	4.122 (30.92)
35	1.072 (8.045)	1.274 (9.56)	1.508 (11.31)	1.780 (13.35)	2.093 (15.70)	2.450 (18.38)	2.866 (21.50)	3.338 (25.04)	3.878 (29.09)
40	1.016 (7.62)	1.200 (9.005)	1.421 (10.66)	1.681 (12.61)	1.974 (14.81)	2.309 (17.32)	2.709 (20.32)	3.146 (23.60)	3.671 (27.54)
45	0.922 (6.92)	1.097 (8.23)	1.302 (9.77)	1.537 (11.53)	1.817 (13.63)	2.129 (15.97)	2.487 (18.66)	2.905 (21.79)	3.400 (25.51)
50	0.852 (6.39)	1.016 (7.62)	1.204 (9.03)	1.421 (10.66)	1.673 (12.55)	1.962 (14.72)	2.295 (17.22)	2.677 (20.08)	3.111 (23.34)
55	0.758 (5.685)	0.900 (6.749)	1.064 (7.98)	1.265 (9.49)	1.486 (11.15)	1.748 (13.11)	2.049 (15.37)	2.382 (17.87)	2.786 (20.90)
60	0.649 (4.87)	0.776 (5.82)	0.921 (6.91)	1.088 (8.16)	1.284 (9.63)	1.508 (11.31)	1.766 (13.25)	2.070 (15.53)	2.419 (18.15)

TABLE V SPECIFIC CONDUCTIVITY (ohm cm)<sup>-1</sup> OF TMA BICARBONATE  
(P<sub>CO2</sub> = 101 kPa or 1 atm)

Wt % \ K (°F)	283.15 (50)	285.95 (55)	288.75 (60)	291.45 (65)	294.25 (70)	297.05 (75)	299.85 (80)	302.55 (85)	305.35 (90)
5	0.0178	0.0182	0.0196	0.0205	0.0214	0.0223	0.0232	0.0241	0.0250
10	0.0277	0.0298	0.0319	0.0341	0.0364	0.0385	0.0407	0.0428	0.0450
15	0.0357	0.0385	0.0414	0.0442	0.0471	0.0499	0.0528	0.0557	0.0585
20	0.0418	0.0449	0.0482	0.0515	0.0547	0.0580	0.0612	0.0644	0.0677
25	0.0465	0.0498	0.0531	0.0566	0.0600	0.0633	0.0668	0.0704	0.0742
30	0.0496	0.0530	0.0566	0.0600	0.0635	0.0669	0.0703	0.0744	0.0788
35	0.0517	0.0551	0.0586	0.0622	0.0657	0.0692	0.0727	0.0768	0.0809
40	0.0505	0.0539	0.0574	0.0607	0.0641	0.0675	0.0712	0.0753	0.0800
45	0.0443	0.0476	0.0509	0.0541	0.0576	0.0610	0.0645	0.0682	0.0719
50	0.0364	0.0394	0.0424	0.0455	0.0485	0.0516	0.0549	0.0586	0.0623
55	0.0292	0.0319	0.0346	0.0374	0.0401	0.0429	0.0461	0.0493	0.0530
60	0.0227	0.0251	0.0277	0.0301	0.0326	0.0351	0.0377	0.0405	0.0435

TABLE VI WATER VAPOR PRESSURE IN kPa AND (mmHg) OF TMA HYDROXIDE  
VERSUS CONCENTRATION AND TEMPERATURE

Wt % \ K (°F)	283.15 (50)	285.95 (55)	288.75 (60)	291.45 (65)	294.25 (70)	297.05 (75)	299.85 (80)	302.55 (85)	305.34 (90)	Relative Humidity
0	1.228 (9.209)	1.472 (11.069)	1.767 (13.252)	2.107 (15.805)	2.503 (18.778)	2.963 (22.228)	3.495 (26.220)	4.109 (30.824)	4.814 (36.113)	100
5	1.194 (8.96)	1.436 (10.77)	1.718 (12.89)	2.050 (15.38)	2.435 (18.27)	2.883 (21.63)	3.401 (25.51)	3.998 (29.99)	4.684 (35.14)	97.3
10	1.149 (8.62)	1.381 (10.36)	1.653 (12.40)	1.972 (14.79)	2.343 (17.58)	2.774 (20.81)	3.271 (24.54)	3.846 (28.85)	4.506 (33.80)	93.6
15	1.090 (8.18)	1.312 (9.84)	1.570 (11.78)	1.872 (14.04)	2.225 (16.69)	2.633 (19.75)	3.106 (23.30)	3.651 (27.39)	4.278 (32.09)	88.8
20	1.009 (7.57)	1.213 (9.10)	1.452 (10.89)	1.732 (12.99)	2.058 (15.44)	2.435 (18.27)	2.873 (21.55)	3.378 (25.34)	3.958 (29.69)	82.2
25	0.898 (6.74)	1.080 (8.10)	1.293 (9.70)	1.542 (11.57)	1.833 (13.75)	2.169 (16.27)	2.558 (19.19)	3.007 (22.56)	3.524 (26.44)	73.2
30	0.768 (5.76)	0.922 (6.92)	1.104 (8.28)	1.317 (9.88)	1.565 (11.74)	1.852 (13.89)	2.185 (16.39)	2.569 (19.27)	3.009 (22.57)	62.5
35	0.621 (4.66)	0.746 (5.60)	0.894 (6.71)	1.066 (8.00)	1.266 (9.50)	1.500 (11.25)	1.769 (13.27)	2.079 (15.60)	2.435 (18.27)	50.6



TABLE VII SPECIFIC CONDUCTIVITY (ohm cm)<sup>-1</sup> OF TMA HYDROXIDE

Wt % \ K (°F)	283.15 (50)	285.95 (55)	288.75 (60)	291.45 (65)	294.25 (70)	297.05 (75)	299.85 (80)	302.55 (85)	305.35 (90)
5	0.0840	0.0885	0.0929	0.0973	0.1017	0.1061	0.1104	0.1148	0.1192
10	0.1428	0.1511	0.1592	0.1675	0.1755	0.1838	0.1919	0.2002	0.2083
15	0.1780	0.1881	0.1985	0.2088	0.2190	0.2293	0.2396	0.2499	0.2602
20	0.1993	0.2092	0.2191	0.2288	0.2387	0.2487	0.2586	0.2686	0.2795
25	0.2048	0.2145	0.2243	0.2341	0.2438	0.2335	0.2634	0.2733	0.2831
30	0.1758	0.1860	0.1961	0.2061	0.2161	0.2261	0.2361	0.2461	0.2561
35	0.1370	0.1471	0.1571	0.1674	0.1778	0.1880	0.1981	0.2082	0.2184

TABLE VIII TETRAMETHYLAMMONIUM HYDROXIDE

Concentration	Density at 297.15 K (24°C)	Abs. Viscosity	Kin. Viscosity
Wt %	Grams/cc	Centipoise	Centistokes
35	1.0348	8.28	8.00
30	1.0281	4.69	4.56
25	1.0220	3.27	3.20
20	1.0163	2.46	2.42
15	1.0112	1.92	1.90
10	1.0067	1.55	1.54
5	1.0030	1.24	1.24

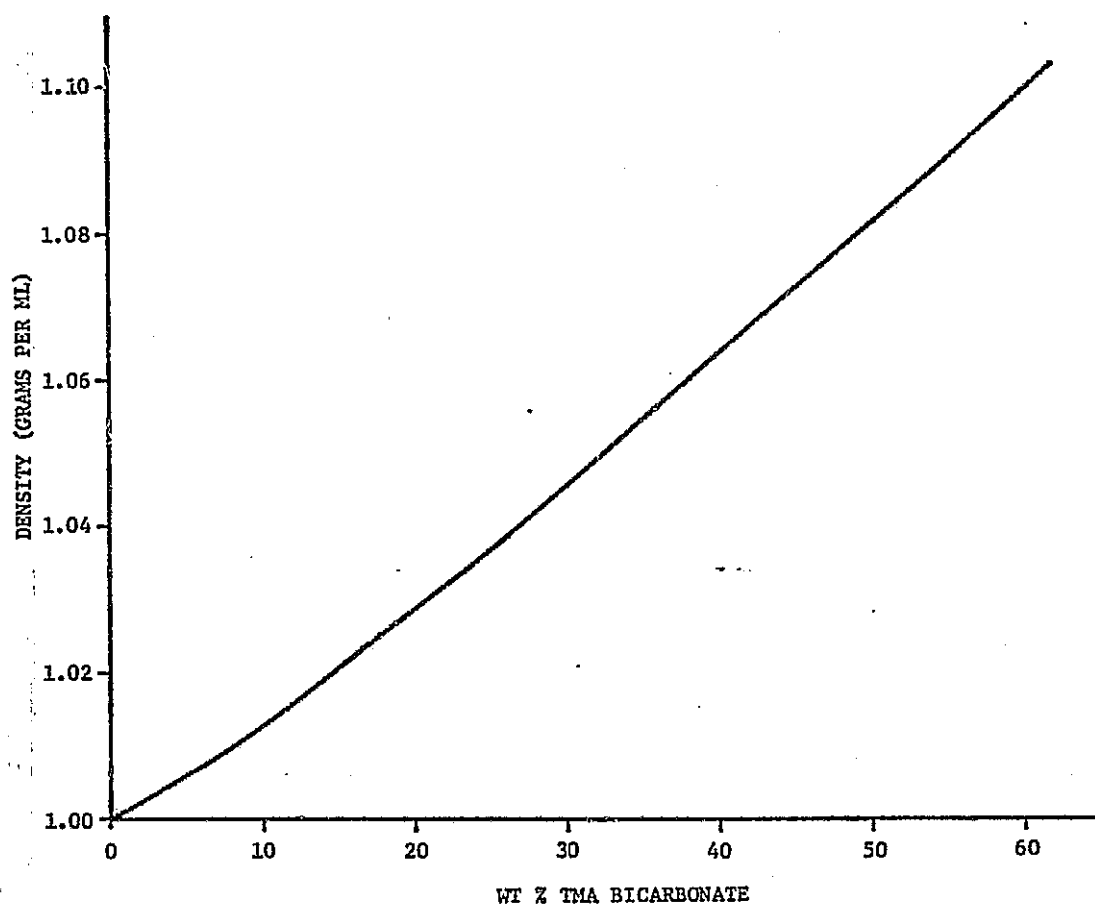


FIGURE 42 TETRAMETHYLAMMONIUM BICARBONATE SOLUTION DENSITY VS  
CONCENTRATION AT 297.15 K (24°C)

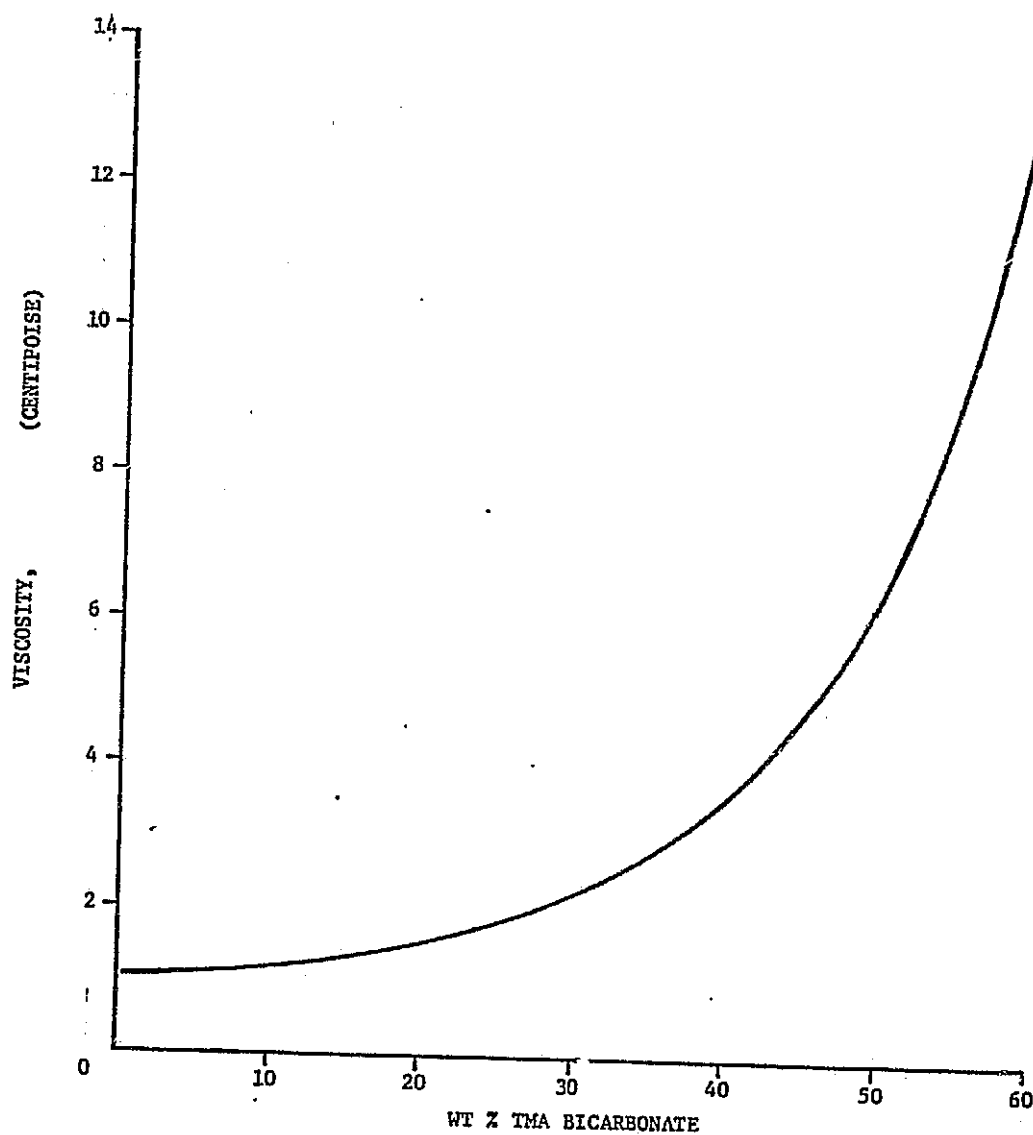


FIGURE 43 TETRAMETHYLAMMONIUM BICARBONATE SOLUTION VISCOSITY VS  
CONCENTRATION AT 297.15K (24°C)

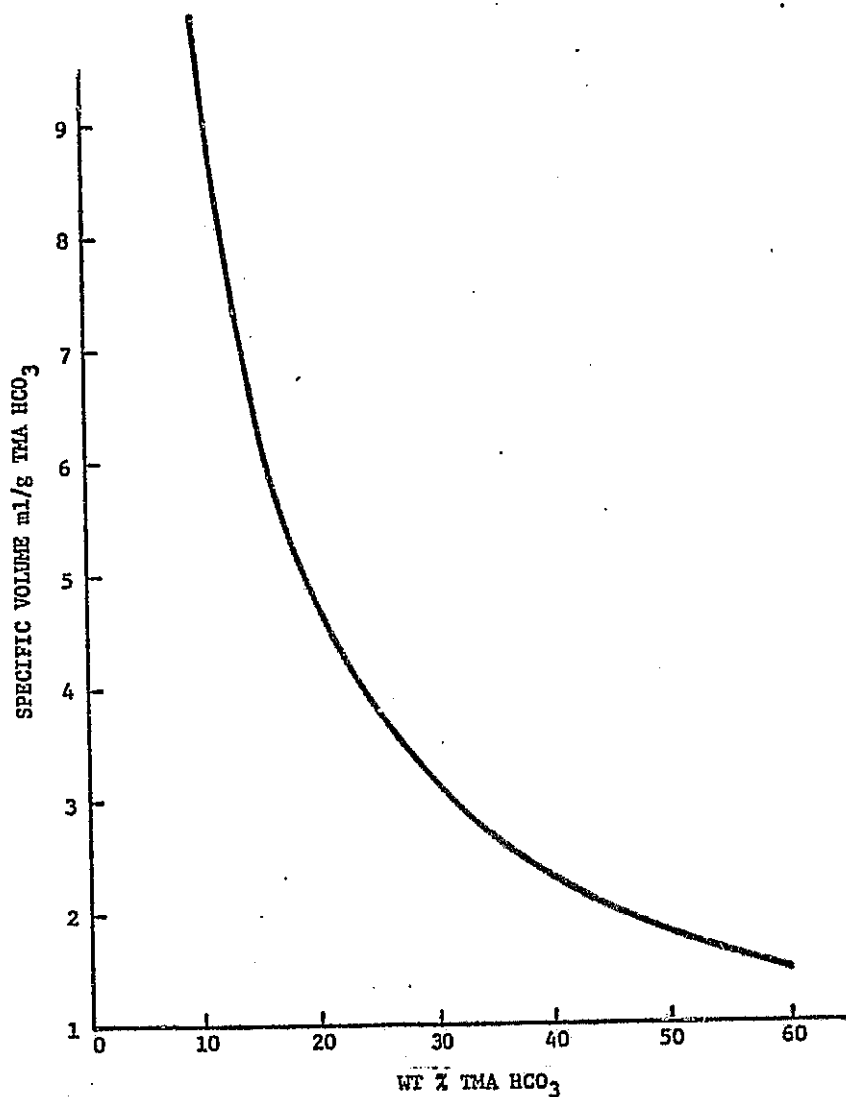


FIGURE 44 TETRAMETHYLAMMONIUM BICARBONATE SPECIFIC VOLUME  
VERSUS WEIGHT PERCENT AT 297.15K (24°C)

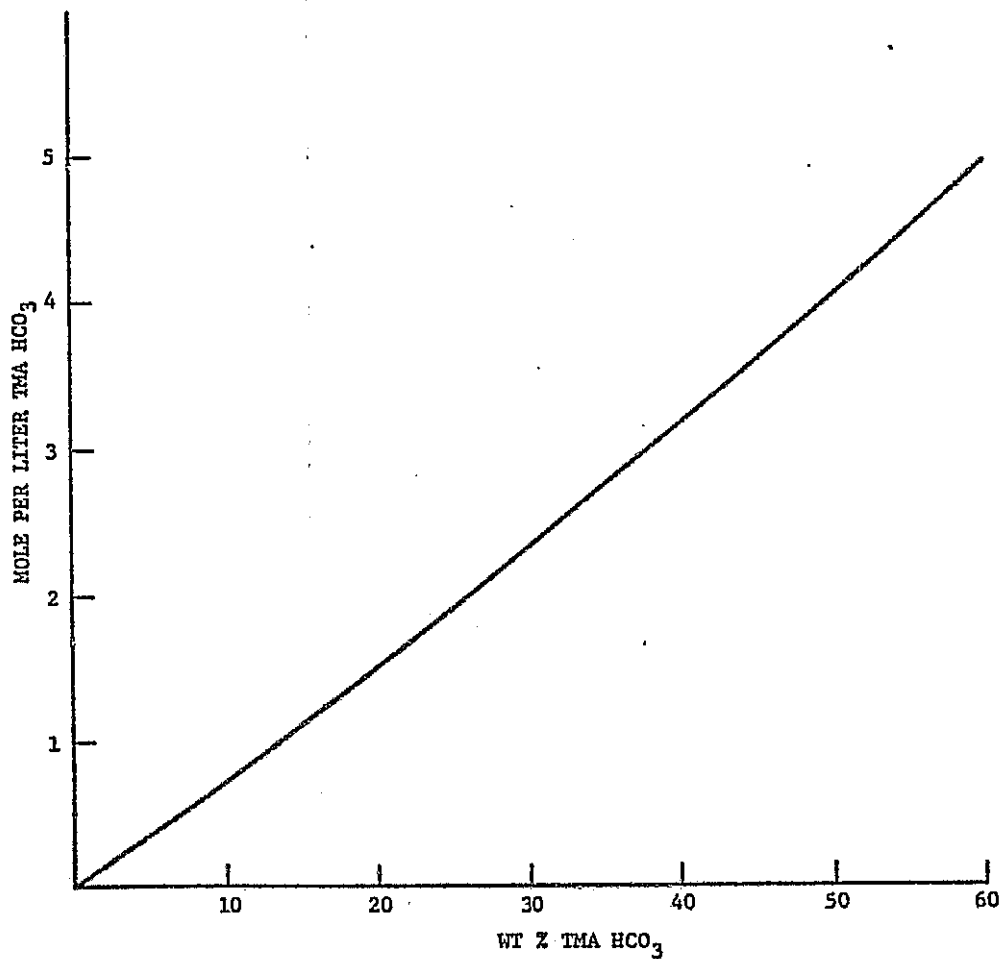


FIGURE 45 TETRAMETHYLAMMONIUM BICARBONATE MOLES PER LITER  
VERSUS CONCENTRATION AT 297.15K (24°C)

## PREPARATION FOR DELIVERY

Prior to preparing the system for shipment a "Familiarization and Operations Manual" was prepared. This manual provides instructions for preparing the One Man E/C ARS for testing, and operating the system under its various operating modes. The manual also provides a description of the system, the system's function and how the system operates.

The refurbishment of the system after testing consisted of the following repair and clean-up tasks necessary to have the unit pass the Hamilton Standard inspection.

### Cell Pair Package:

1. Repainted base frame. Paint had been scraped off the frame as the result of sliding the package in and out of the test chamber.
2. Replaced part of the panel decal. During the initial check out of the package it was necessary to remove a flow sensor which is mounted on the back side of the panel. This removal required the decal to be removed to allow access to the sensor mounting bolts.
3. Calibration check of the two sensors, pressure gauges and dial thermometers.
4. Cleaning of the cell pair electrical contact areas.
5. Setting the package up for storage and shipment, as defined in the Operations Manual.

### Instrumentation/Control Package:

1. Calibration of all the voltage and ampere meter gauges.
2. Recheck of the combustible gas sensor/controller.
3. Setting the package up for storage and shipment, per the configuration as defined in the Operations Manual.

The shipment of the One Man E/C ARS also included a set of microfilmed drawings of the two packages. These drawings include parts lists, detail manufacturing drawings of make items and assembly drawings of both packages.

## RELIABILITY/QUALITY ASSURANCE/SAFETY SUMMARY

The following is a summary of the effort performed during the various tasks of this program in the areas of Reliability, Quality Assurance and Safety.

- . The successful demonstration of the One Man E/C ARS to operate over 110 days without a system malfunction verified that the system design is safe, durable and reliable.
- . The automatic shutdown feature of the system provides the detection of facility or system malfunctions and the systematic shutdown of the system for all its modes of operation. The malfunction which caused the system to shut down is noted by the system status indicator lights which provides a quick detection of the problem. This shutdown and fault detection feature protects the system and environment from potential hazards associated with the WVE-HDC operation.
- . Electrode fabrication procedures were changed to assure consistent high quality electrodes. These changes were a controlled ambient temperature and dew point during fabrication, longer and consistent mixing time of the catalyst, better procurement definitions and controls on the raw material, and Hamilton Standard Engineering surveillance of the electrode fabrication at P&WA.
- . All the test facility and system malfunctions which occurred during Phase I of the test program were resolved and corrective action instituted to prevent the recurrence of each malfunction. As a result of this positive failure analysis, the test facility and system became more reliable.



APPENDIX A TEST PLAN

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MASTER TEST PLAN

ONE-MAN ELECTROCHEMICAL  
AIR REVITALIZATION SYSTEM

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## 1.0 GENERAL INFORMATION

### 1.1 Scope

The purpose of this Master Test Plan is to define the test methods and equipment which will be utilized to perform the various Water Vapor Electrolysis (WVE) and Hydrogen Depolarized CO<sub>2</sub> Concentrator (HDC) cell pair, and integrated WVE/HDC System tests required under NASA/JSC Contract NAS 9-13679. This test program will be conducted at Hamilton Standard, Space Systems Department, test facilities.

### 1.2 Applicable Documents

NASA/JSC Contract NAS 9-13679

Hamilton Standard Program Plan for Contract NAS 9-13679.

One-Man E/C ARS Cell Pair Package - SVSK 88484

One-Man E/C ARS Instrument & Control Package - SVSK 88485

Electrochemical Cell Pair Assembly - SVSK 88486

### 1.3 Functional Requirements

Unless otherwise specified, the following operating conditions and requirements will apply to the testing of the WVE and HDC cell pairs as separate units.

#### Range of Inlet Air Conditions:

Air flow through cell pair	10-25 scfm
Inlet air dry bulb temperature	65° to 75°F
Inlet air relative humidity	35% to 90%
Inlet Air CO <sub>2</sub> partial pressure	1/4 to 3 mmHg
Oxygen concentration	20-21%

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1.3 Functional Requirements - Continued

## WVE operating requirements:

Nominal current density	50 asf	A
Maximum voltage	2.0 vdc	
H <sub>2</sub> production	Current x 7.48 scc/min	
O <sub>2</sub> production	Current x 3.74 scc/min	

## HDC operating requirements:

Nominal current density	18 asf
Min. H <sub>2</sub> inflow	350 scc/min
Current efficiency (design goal) @ 18 asf & 2.5 mmHg	CO <sub>2</sub> removed (scc/min) 7.5 x current (amps)

1.4 Test Condition Tolerances

Unless otherwise specified, the following tolerances will apply to the referenced test parameters:

Temperature	+ 1°F
Pressure	+ .1 psia
	+ .02 inches of water
Dew Point	+ 1°F
Voltage	+ 0.01 volts
Current	+ 0.10 amps
CO <sub>2</sub> Level	+ 2%
Flow Measurement	+ 2.8%

2.0 TEST PLAN AND PROCEDURES

The test plans and procedures for the following tests are detailed in the corresponding sections as noted:

<u>Test</u>	<u>Section</u>
WVE Conditioning Test	I
HDC Conditioning Test	II
One-Man E/C ARS Testing	III

2.1

Test Facility and Instrument Readings

The Hamilton Standard, Space Systems Department electrochemical test facility, where the test program will be conducted, is illustrated in the photographs of figure 1. The schematics of the test set-up for the various cell pair and system tests are defined in figures 2 and 3. The general data acquisition for all the testing is presented in Table 1.

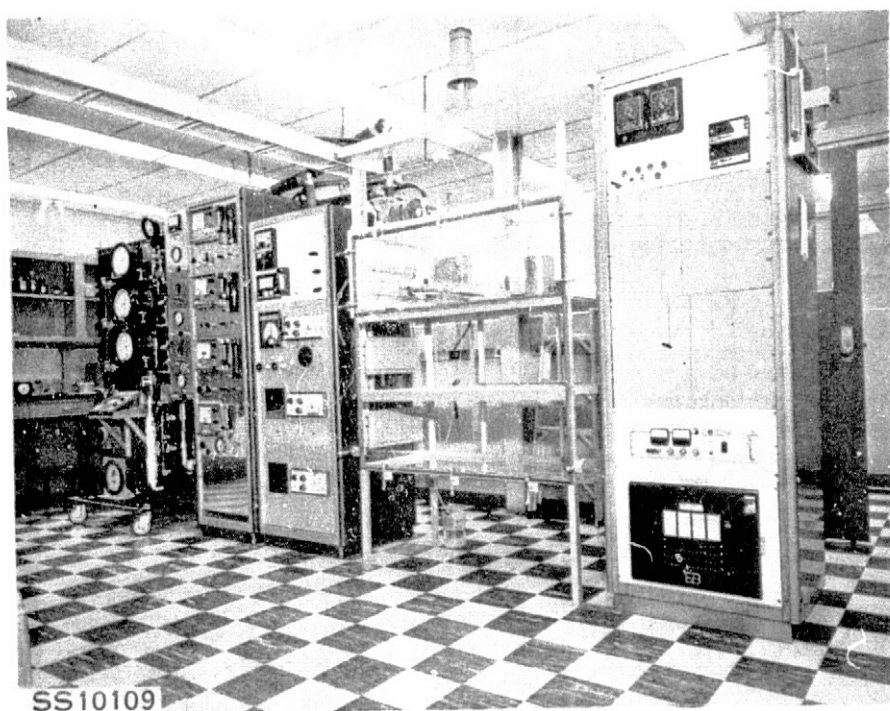
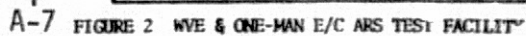


FIGURE 1 ELECTROCHEMICAL TEST FACILITIES





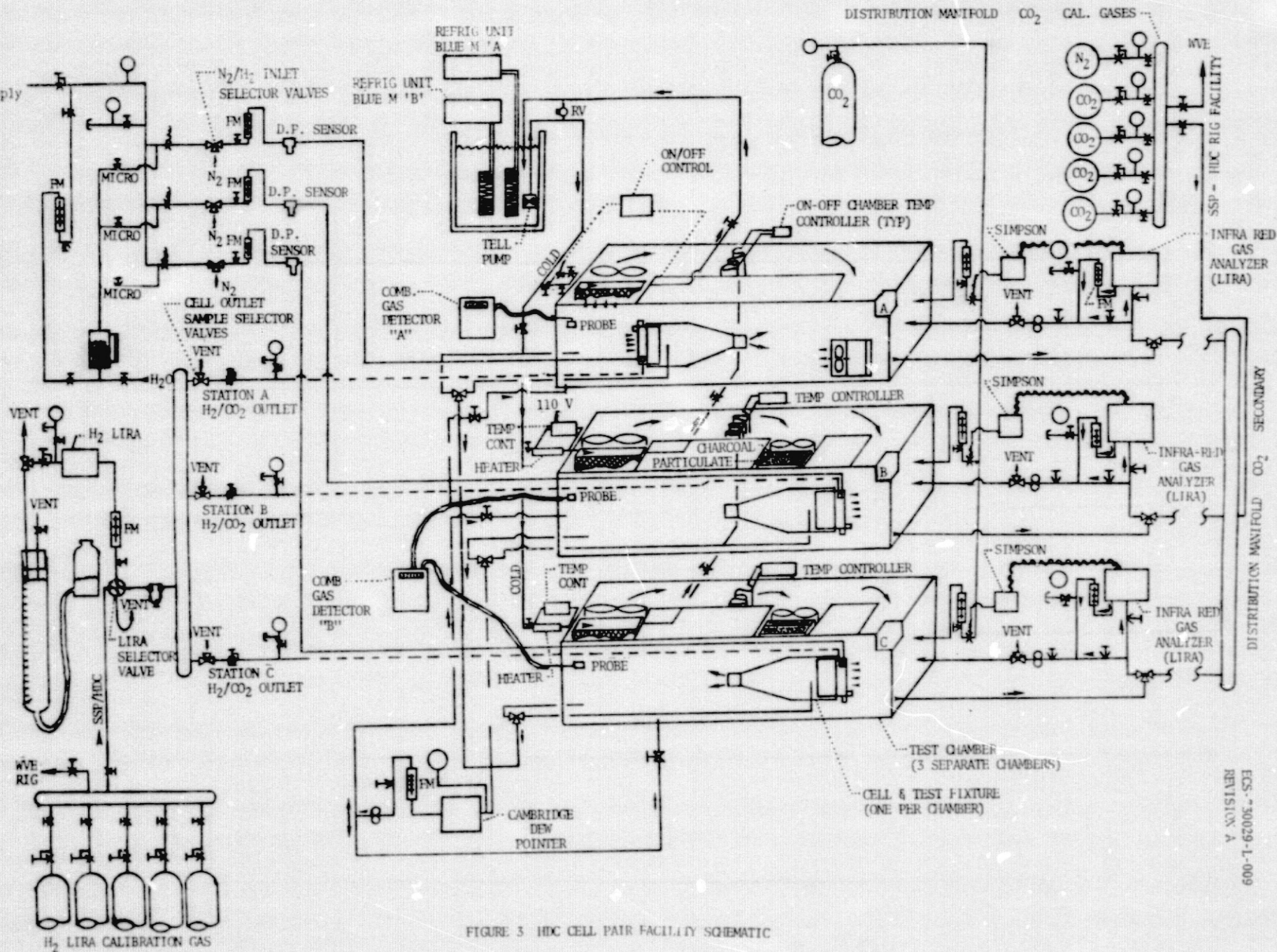


FIGURE 3 HDC CELL PAIR FACILITY SCHEMATIC

DATA ACQUISITION- TABLE I

<u>Data Point</u>	<u>Instrument</u>	<u>Range &amp; Readout</u>
Inlet & Outlet Air Temperature of Cell Pair (°F)	Thermocouple and Bristol Recorder	0° to 250° (1°F inc.)
Inlet Air Dew Point of Cell Pair (°F)	Cambridge 880 Dew Pointer	-40° to 120°F (2°F inc.)
HDC Hydrogen Inlet Temperature (°F)	Thermocouple & Bristol Recorder	-30°F to 250°F (1°F inc.)
Item Fan ΔP (inches of H <sub>2</sub> O)	Slant Water Manometer	0 to 4 in. of H <sub>2</sub> O (0.01 inc.)
WVE Hydrogen Outlet Pressure (psia)	HEISE Pressure Gauge	0 to 30 psia (0.1 psia inc.)
HDC Hydrogen Inlet Pressure (psia)	HEISE Pressure Gauge	0 to 30 psia (0.1 psia inc.)
HDC H <sub>2</sub> /CO <sub>2</sub> Outlet Pressure (psia)	HEISE Pressure Gauge	0 to 30 psia (0.1 psia inc.)
Cell Pair Voltage (volts)	Digital Meter	0 to 4.0 volts (.0005 volts inc.)
Cell Pair Current (amps)	Digital Meter	0 to 100 amps (0.05 amp inc.)
HDC CO <sub>2</sub> Inlet Concentration (%)	Lira Gas Analyzer	0% to 1% (0.02% inc.)
HDC - CO <sub>2</sub> Outlet Concentration in H <sub>2</sub> Stream (%)	Lira Gas Analyzer	0% to 100% (2% inc.)
WVE Outlet Hydrogen Flow (cc/min.)	Water Displacement Measurement	1.0 cc inc. and 0.001 min. inc.
HDC - H <sub>2</sub> /CO <sub>2</sub> Outlet Flow (cc/min.)	Water Displacement Measurement	1.0 cc inc. and 0.001 min. inc.
HDC - Hydrogen Inlet Flow (%)	Flowmeter	0% to 100% (2% inc.)
Chamber Gas O <sub>2</sub> Concentration (%)	Beckman O <sub>2</sub> Analyzer	0 to 100% (2% inc.)

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## **SECTION I**

### **WVE CELL PAIR CONDITIONING TEST PLAN**

WVE CONDITIONING

This Test Plan describes the method used to condition the WVE cell pair assembly prior to its incorporation in the One-Man E/C ARS.

Test Facilities

Reference figures 1 and 2.

Test Procedure

Each unit will be inserted into the cell pair test fixture and installed in the test chamber. Set and maintain the inlet air and unit at the conditions as outlined below. Data will be taken daily and presented on log sheets per figure 4.

<u>Parameter</u>	<u>Set Condition</u>
Air Flow	10 scfm
Inlet Air Temperature	70°F
Inlet Air Dew Point Temperature	66°F
Chamber O <sub>2</sub> Concentration	20%
Current Density	50 asf
H <sub>2</sub> Back Pressure	1 psig

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Test Duration

Approximately one (1) week. This is the time required for the cell to obtain stable operation at the defined test conditions. (1)

Special Instructions

During the initial days of conditioning, excess electrolyte will flow from the outlet air holes of the unit. This electrolyte should be drained from the cell and test fixture to prevent damage of the blower.

Acceptance Criteria

- a) Voltage at 50 asf shall not exceed 1.7 volts.
- b) The current (starting at 50 asf) for the last 24 hours of testing shall not drop more than 0.01 amps when operated at constant voltage.

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(1) Stable operation is considered when the unit's voltage and current do not change significantly with time.

## WVE CONDITIONING

This Test Plan describes the method used to condition the WVE cell pair assembly prior to its incorporation in the One-Man E/C ARS.

### Test Facilities

Reference figures 1 and 2.

### Test Procedure

Each unit will be inserted into the cell pair test fixture and installed in the test chamber. Set and maintain the inlet air and unit at the standard conditions as outlined in paragraph 1.3. The exception is the inlet air dew point which will be held at 66°F. Data will be taken daily and presented on log sheets per figure 4.

### Test Duration

Approximately one (1) week. This is the time required for the cell to obtain stable operation at the defined test conditions. (1)

### Special Instructions

During the initial days of conditioning, excess electrolyte will flow from the outlet air holes of the unit. This electrolyte should be drained from the cell and test fixture to prevent damage of the blower.

### Acceptance Criteria

- a) Voltage at 6 asf shall not exceed 1.7 volts.
- b) The current (starting at 60 asf) for the last 24 hours of testing shall not drop more than 0.01 amps when operated at constant voltage.

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- (1) Stable operation is considered when the unit's voltage and current do not change significantly with time.

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## LOG OF TEST

NAME OF RIG

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PROJECT & ENG. ORDER NO.  
NAS 9-13679

## OPERATORS

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● - SET/MAINTAINED PARAMETER

NOTE: DATA RECORDED TWICE/DAY  
WITH EXCEPTION OF WEEKENDS &  
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FIGURE 4 SAMPLE OF WVE CONDITIONING TEST LOG SHEETS

## SECTION II

### HDC CELL PAIR CONDITIONING TEST PLAN

## HDC CONDITIONING

This Test Plan describes the method used to condition the HDC cell pair assembly prior to its incorporation in the One-Man E/C ARS.

### Test Facilities

Reference figures 1 and 3.

### Test Procedure

Each unit will be inserted into the cell pair test fixture and installed in the test chamber. Set and maintain the inlet air and unit at the conditions as outlined below. Data will be taken daily and presented on log sheets per figure 5.

<u>Parameter</u>	<u>Set Condition</u>
Air Flow	10 scfm
Inlet Air Temperature	70°F
Inlet Air Dew Point Temperature	65°F
Chamber P <sub>CO2</sub>	3 mmHg
Chamber O <sub>2</sub> Concentration	20%
Current Density	18 asf
H <sub>2</sub> Flow	600 scc/min
H <sub>2</sub> Back Pressure	1 psig

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### Test Duration

Approximately three (3) weeks. This is the time required for the cell to obtain stable operation at the defined test conditions. (1)

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### Special Instructions

During the initial days of conditioning, excess electrolyte will flow from the outlet air holes of the unit. This electrolyte should be drained from the cell and test fixture to prevent damage of the blower.

### Performance Goals

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- Voltage at 18 asf shall not be less than 0.200 volts after 24 hours.
- The voltage decay rate (at 18 asf) for the last 24 hours of testing shall not exceed 50  $\mu$  volts/hour.

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(1) Stable operation is considered when the unit's voltage and current do not change significantly with time.



Performance Goals - Continued

- c) The current CO<sub>2</sub> removal efficiency, for the last 24 hours of testing, at 18 asf and PCO<sub>2</sub> at 3.0 mmHg shall not be less than 71%.

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## CONDITIONING

## TEST ENGINEER

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DATE	TIME	FAN ΔP	CHAMB TEMP	TEMP OUT	D.P. IN	P <sub>CO2</sub> IN LIRA	H <sub>2</sub> FLOW	MATRIX PRESS	H <sub>2</sub> +CO <sub>2</sub> FLOW	H <sub>2</sub> LIRA	CURR ENT	VOLTAGE	POWER	CO <sub>2</sub> CONC	ACT CO <sub>2</sub>	CELL EFF	O <sub>2</sub> CONC	COMB GAS					
		"H <sub>2</sub> O	°F	°F	°F	SCALE	SCALE	PSIA	SCCM	SCALE	ASF	VDC	WATTS	%	SCCM	%	%	SCALE					
		●	●		●	●	●	●			●						●						

REMARKS:

● - SET/MAINTAINED PARAMETER

NOTE: DATA RECORDED TWICE/DAY  
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FIGURE 5 SAMPLE OF HDC CONDITIONING TEST LOG SHEETS

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### SECTION III

ONE-MAN E/C ARS TESTING

## ONE-MAN E/C ARS TESTING

This Test Plan describes the tests and procedures which will be conducted on the One-Man E/C ARS for compliance with the NASA contract, NAS 9-13679 test requirements. This system consists of the SVSK 88484 One-Man E/C ARS cell pair package and SVSK 88485 One-Man E/C ARS instrumentation and control package.

### Test Facility

Reference figures 1 and 2.

### Test Procedure

Install the cell pair package in the test chamber. Place the instrumentation/control package adjacent to the chamber. The test sequence, set/maintained conditions, test duration and data acquisition are specified in Table II. The test durations noted in Table II are based on an estimated time for the cell pairs to obtain a stable operating condition. This time will be shortened if possible and added to the duration of the end base point test. Test data will be recorded on log sheets per figure 6.

### Presentation of Data

A running plot of the unit's performance (WVE voltage, HDC voltage and CO<sub>2</sub> removal) vs time will be maintained throughout the test program. Other performance and parametric data will be graphically presented.

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### LOG OF TEST

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FIGURE 6 SAMPLE OF ONE-MAN E/C ARS TEST LOG SHEETS

TABLE II SYSTEM TEST MATRIX

Test No.	Inlet Air Conditions		HDC Current asf	Test Duration Weeks	WVE Current asf
	Dry Bulb/ °F	Dewpoint °F			
1. System Conditioning	70°/60° ↓		18	2	50 ↓
2. System Conditioning			18	1	
3. Base Point #1		3.0	10	1	
4. Base Point #2		2.5	10	1	
5. Parametric (a)		1.0	5	1	
6. Parametric (b)		1.0	7	1	
7. Parametric (c)		1.0	14	1/2	
8. Parametric (d)		1.0	18	1/2	
9. Parametric (e)		2.5	5	1	
10. Parametric (f)		2.5	7	1	
11. Parametric (g)		2.5	14	1/2	
12. Parametric (h)		2.5	18	1/2	
13. Base Point #1	70°/60° ↓	2.5	10	1/2	
14. Base Point #2		1.0	10	1/2	

Air flow will be maintained at 20 scfm.

Percent of oxygen in inlet air will be maintained at 20-21%.

N<sub>2</sub> purging of system will be limited to occasions when voltage levels drop below system control value.

APPENDIX B TEST LOG SHEETS

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INLET AIR CONDITIONS										AIR TEMP/OUT		H. BACK PRESS.		HDC PERFORMANCE										WVE PERFORMANCE						START OF SYS. TEST. OBOO HRS.	
DATE	ON TIME	INLET FLOW	AIR TEMP	COND. D.P.	COND. P <sub>O2</sub>	COND. %O <sub>2</sub>	RAE WVE	RAE HDC	HEAT EXCH. PSI	HEAT EXCH. PSI	H <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>2</sub> FLOW	EFF	CURR	VOLT	025	026	027	028	CURR	VOLT	005	003	003	002	H <sub>2</sub> FLOW						
	HRS	SCPM	OF	OF	MMHG	%	OF	OF	PSI	PSI	SCCM	SCCM	%	AMPS	TOTAL VOLT	VOLTS	VOLTS	VOLTS	VOLTS	NRMS	TOTAL VOLT	VOLTS	VOLTS	VOLTS	VOLTS	SCCM					
5/28	-	20	70	63	3.0	20								18						50											
5/28	8	20	70	63	3.0	20	73	73	1.7	1.0	1260	448	83	18	1.085	240	310	270	265	50	6.56	1.642	1.638	1.660	1.620	1390	①				
5/29	18	20	70	62	3.0	21	74	73	1.7	1.0	1264	448	83	18	1.183	240	308	270	266	50	6.56	1.642	1.638	1.660	1.620	1390	①				
5/30	20	20	70	62	3.0	21	74	73	2.0	1.3	1258	448	83	18	1.220	290	340	320	290	50	6.56	1.643	1.639	1.660	1.620	1390	①				
5/31	30	20	70	62	3.0	20	75	74	2.0	1.3	1265	424	78	18	1.240	310	340	320	270	50	6.57	1.643	1.639	1.660	1.625	1390	①				
6/3	50	20	72	63	2.5	20	76	75	1.7	1.0	1260	378	70	18	1.225	305	335	305	280	50	6.56	1.643	1.642	1.635	1.635	1390	②				
6/4	74	20	72	64	2.5	20	76	75	1.7	1.0	1265	378	70	18	1.190	280	330	300	305	50	6.60	1.643	1.642	1.680	1.635	1390					
6/5	98	20	74	62	2.5	21	79	77	1.7	1.0	1240	378	70	19	1.135	270	305	280	280	50	6.59	1.620	1.662	1.665	1.645	1390					
6/6	122	20	74	25	2.5	21	79	78	1.6	1.0										50	7.37	1.90	1.780	1.920	1.770	1390	③				
6/7	146		72	48	2.5	21																				③					
6/12	170	20	73	60	2.5	20	77	76	1.8	1.0	1255	367	68	18	1.020	285	240	265	230	50	6.77	1.660	1.730	1.720	1.660	1390	⑤				
6/13	186	20	69	58	2.5	21	72	72	1.8	1.0	1250	367	68	18	1.108	318	250	270	270	50	6.78	1.665	1.730	1.705	1.640	1390					
6/14	210	20	75	65	2.5	21	79	78	1.7	1.0	1260	373	69	18	1.094	238	226	220	210	50	6.83	1.680	1.745	1.725	1.670	1390		SEPARATE CELL TEST DATA AT			
6/15	234	20	75	56	2.5	20	79	78	1.7	1.0	1260	373	69	18	1.862	210	224	218	210	50	6.84	1.690	1.740	1.725	1.680	1390		18 AMPS			
6/17	282	20	75	30	2.5	20	79	79	1.7	1.0										50	7.17	1.82	1.78	1.86	1.71	1390	③				
6/18	306	20	73	63	2.5	20	75	74	1.2	0.5	1255	297	55	18	1.896	207	228	241	220	50	6.83	1.678	1.758	1.735	1.660	1390		VOLTA GE			
6/19	330	20	73	65	2.5	21	73	74	1.2	0.5	1255	297	55	18	1.878	205	225	240	208	50	6.81	1.664	1.758	1.735	1.652	1380		VDC %			
6/20	353	23	74	65	2.5	21	76	76	2.0	1.4		223	55	18		244	244	280	⑥	50	6.73	1.663	1.702	1.704	1.658	1380		245 56			
6/21	376	23	75	65	2.5	20	77	77	2.0	1.4		223	55	18		243	⑥	282	248	50	6.73	1.663	1.700	1.700	1.658	1380		270 64			
6/22	399	23	75	65	2.5	20	77	75	2.0	1.4		243	60	18		262	210	⑥	245	50	6.73	1.660	1.700	1.702	1.658	1380		280 65			
6/23	422	23	75	65	2.5	20	77	75	2.2	1.6		235	58	18		⑥	211	265	208	50	6.73	1.664	1.701	1.702	1.650	1380		260 50			

REMARKS:  
 ① SYS. SHUT DOWN OVERNIGHT (NOT ATTENDED)  
 ② STARTED SYS. UP AT 2000 HRS 6/2  
 ③ VERY LOW R.H. HDC CURRENT CONTROL NOT MAINTAINED  
 WVE'S WERE AT 50 AMPS VOLTAGES WENT UP.  
 STARTED RESETTING CELLS.

④ H<sub>2</sub> LEAKAGE IN WVE'S - S/N 003 REMOVED  
 AND ITS CENTER 156 REPUTED. RESTRICT  
 OF SYS. TEST 0800 HRS 6/11  
 ⑤ FACILITY POWER LOSS - SYS. DOWN  
 FOR 8 HRS.

⑥ HDC CELL (AS INDICATED) REMOVED FROM SYS. AFTER PREVIOUS  
 DAY READINGS AND PLACED ON SEPARATE TEST. SYS. DOWN 1 HR  
 DUE TO REMOVAL.



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DATE	ON TIME	INLET AIR CONDITIONS						RETURN AIR		H <sub>2</sub> OXY PRESS.		HDC PERFORMANCE								WVE PERFORMANCE								SEPARATE CELL TEST					
		FLOW	TEMP	D.P.	P <sub>O2</sub>	%O <sub>2</sub>	WVE	HDC	WVE	HDC	H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> FLOW		EOL REMOVAL		EFF	CURR.	VOLT	O25	O26	O27	O28	CURR	VOLT	O05	O04	O03	O02			M <sub>2</sub> FLOW			
											SCCM	SCCM	%	AMPS														TOTAL VOLT.	VOLTS		VOLTS	VOLTS	VOLTS
	HR	SCFM	OF	OF	MMHG	%	OF	OF	PSI	PSI			%	AMPS	TOTAL VOLT.	VOLTS	VOLTS	VOLTS	VOLTS	VOLTS													
6/24	496	24	75	65	2.5	21	78	77	2.2	1.6			231	57	18		⑥	.195	.260	.200													
6/25	470	20	75	65	2.5	21	78	76	1.7	1.0			1260	292	54	18	.983	.296	.219	.265	.203												
4/26	494	20	66	62	2.5	20	70	70	1.7	1.0			1255	286	53	18	.823	.256	.180	.250	.137												
4/27	518	20	65	62	2.5	20	69	69	1.7	1.0			1260	205	38	18	1.140	.289	.320	.303	.228												
4/28	542		65	62	2.5																												
7/1	550	20	67	61	2.5	20	70	70	1.3	.5			1255	216	40	18	.750	.200	.256	.200	.094												
7/2	526	20	71	62	2.5	21	72	72	1.3	.5			1260	227	42	18	.876	.214	.212	.237	.213												
7/3	530	20	72	62	2.5	21	75	74	1.7	1.0			1260	232	43	18	.563	.092	.174	.180	.117												
7/8	710	20	72	63	2.5	21	75	75	1.7	1.0			1255	227	42	18	.540	.095	.125	.190	.190												
7/9	733	23	72	63	2.5	21	76	75	1.8	1.2			194	48	18		⑥	.120	.178	.148													
7/10	757	23	70	63	2.5	20	74	73	1.8	1.2			194	48	18			.115	.178	.145													
7/11	781	23	70	62	2.5	20	74	72	2.0	1.5			186	46	18			.105	.175	.145													
7/12	805	23	70	62	2.5	21	74	72	2.0	1.5			198	49	18			.098	.170	.140													
7/15	877	23	70	62	2.5	21	74	72	1.8	1.2			203	50	18			.086	.160	.125													
7/16	901	23	70	62	2.5	21	74	72	1.8	1.2			194	48	18			.080	.160	.120													
7/16		SYSTEM DOWN-		REMOVED ALL HDC CELLS FOR DISASSEMBLY & INVESTIGATION.																													

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REMARKS

- ③ H<sub>2</sub> LEAKAGE - SYS. DOWN - WVE SEAL LEAKAGE CAUSED BY CORRODED CELL NUTS. REPLACED NUTS WITH TITANIUM NUTS RESTART OF SYS. 7/1/74

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SPACE & LIFE SYSTEMS LABORATORY LOG OF TEST										TEST ENGINEER		TEST PLAN NO.															
										NAME OF RIG		MODEL NO.															
										PROJECT & ENG. ORDER NO. <b>NA5913679</b>		PART NO.															
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DATE	ON TIME	INLET AIR CONDITIONS				AIR TEMPERATURE		H2O2 PRESS.		HDC PERFORMANCE				WVE PERFORMANCE													
		FLOW	TEMP	D.P.	P.O.	%O <sub>2</sub>	WVE	HDC	WVE	HDC	H2O2 FLOW	CO <sub>2</sub> FLOW	EFF.	CURR.	VOLT	O29	O30	O31	O32	CURR.	VOLT	V <sub>1</sub>	V <sub>2</sub>	V <sub>3</sub>	V <sub>4</sub>	M. FLOW	
1/9/75	964	20	68	61	5.0	20			1.2	.4				18						50	6.80	1.722	1.70	1.72	1.66	1380	①
1/10	986	20	67	61	5.0	20	70	70	1.2	.4	1350	400	74	18	624	189	140	110	1185	50	6.83	1.722	1.717	1.728	1.66	1380	
1/13	1058	20	68	62	3.0	21	72	72	1.7	1.0	1360	400	74	18	577	190	113	110	104	50	6.84	1.725	1.720	1.730	1.665	1380	
1/14	1092	20	68	62	3.0	20	72	72	1.7	1.0	1355	405	75	18	796	210	113	109	064	50	6.85	1.725	1.720	1.730	1.670	1380	②
1/15	1106	20	90	60	3.0	20	96	94	1.7	1.0	-	-	-	14	366	060	080	116	130	50	7.04	1.72	1.77	1.78	1.77	1380	③
1/16	1113	20	73	60	3.0	21	76	76	1.3	.5	1355	405	75	18	445	103	087	105	150	50	6.84	1.731	1.715	1.724	1.67	1380	
1/16	1130	20	73	60	5.0	21	76	76	1.3	.5	1352	400	74	18	417	077	104	106	130	50	6.86	1.734	1.720	1.730	1.672	1380	
1/17	1154	20	74	60	5.0	20	75	75	1.3	.5	1355	400	74	18	427	086	105	108	128	50	6.85	1.731	1.72	1.728	1.677	1380	
1/20	1226	20	68	62	3.0	20	72	72.5	1.3	.5	1260	383	71	18	378	064	103	106	105	50	6.84	1.725	1.720	1.722	1.670	1380	
1/21	1250	20	68	62	3.0	20	73	73	1.3	.5	1254	394	73	18	372	064	101	102	105	50	6.83	1.726	1.718	1.720	1.670	1380	
1/22	1274	20	68	62	2.5	20	73	72	1.5	.7	1361	394	73	18	361	060	100	100	101	50	6.80	1.700	1.714	1.718	1.672	1380	④
1/23	1298	20	68	62	2.5	20	74	73	1.4	.6	1355	394	73	18	532	169	065	098	100	50	6.80	1.702	1.710	1.713	1.670	1380	⑤
1/24	1322	20	68	62	2.5	20	74	73	1.3	.5	1263	400	74	18	563	065	100	100	098	50	6.80	1.700	1.712	1.714	1.670	1380	⑥
1/27	1394	20	75	60	2.5	20	75	74	1.3	.5	1428	378	84	15	324	060	088	096	086	50	6.85	1.710	1.730	1.733	1.68	1380	
1/28	1418	20	75	58	2.5	20	77	76	1.3	.5	1360	405	75	18	437	112	130	095	100	50	6.86	1.714	1.724	1.736	1.684	1380	
1/29	1442	20	70	60	2.5	20	75	74	1.3	.5	1355	405	75	18	320	058	084	092	086	50	6.80	1.702	1.702	1.716	1.675	1380	
1/30	1466	20	70	60	2.5	20	74	73	1.3	.5	1402	420	87.5	16	420	094	122	102	102	50	6.79	1.702	1.701	1.720	1.670	1380	
1/31	1490	20	71	59	2.5	20	75	74	1.3	.5	1445	362	86.2	14	542	233	211	189	209	50	6.79	1.702	1.701	1.715	1.674	1380	
2/3/75	1562	20	72	59	2.5	20	75	74	1.3	.5	1460	363	86.4	14	372	093	102	083	094	50	6.80	1.703	1.702	1.717	1.674	1380	
2/4/75	1586	20	70	60	1.0	20	73	70	1.2	.5	1408	55.0	38	5	1.744	493	408	409	456	50	6.82	1.702	1.718	1.725	1.676	1380	
2/5/75	1610	20	70	60	1.0	20	73	70	1.2	.5	1407	57.0	38	5	1.877	530	431	440	476	50	6.81	1.700	1.715	1.724	1.675	1380	⑦

REMARKS:

RACK POSITION OF CELL DRAINS AT START:

HDC - 029 - V<sub>1</sub>  
030 - V<sub>2</sub>  
031 - V<sub>3</sub>  
032 - V<sub>4</sub> (BOTTOM LAST)  
033 - V<sub>5</sub> (TOP)

1) RESTART OF SYSTEM TESTING

2) ROOMS SWITCHED POSITIONS OF 029 & 032 CELL DRAINS.

3) RIG COOLANT UNIT FAILURE DROPPED AMBI. TEMP TO INCREASE

4) REVERSED H<sub>2</sub> FLOW THRU HDC CELL DRAINS.

5) REVERSED H<sub>2</sub> FLOW BACK TO ORIGINAL POSITION

6) CHANGED TO 75/60 AT 1000.

7) CHANGED TO 10 ASF & 2.5 MMHg AFTER READING. (BASE PL#2)

8) CHANGED TO 10 ASF & 1.0 MMHg AFTER READING. (BASE PL#2)

9) CHANGED TO 10 ASF & 1.0 MMHg AFTER READING. (BASE PL#2)

10) CHANGED TO 7 ASF (AFTER READING)

11) CHANGED TO 7 ASF

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TEST ENGINEER

NAME OF RIG

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DATE	ON TIME	INLET AIR CONDITIONS					AIR TEMP/OUT		HUBBARD PRESS.		HDC		PERFORMANCE										WVE PERFORMANCE					
		FLOW	TEMP	D.P.	P.	%O <sub>2</sub>	WVE	HDC	WVE	HDC	HDC FLOW	HDC TEMP	EFF	CURR.	VOLT	029	030	031	032	CURR.	VOLT	005	004	003	002	H <sub>2</sub> FLOW		
	HRS	SCFM	OF	OF	MMHG	%	OF	OF	PSI	PSI	SCCM	SCCM	%	AMPS	TOTAL VOLT	VOLTS	VOLTS	VOLTS	VOLTS	AMPS	TOTAL VOLT	VOLTS	VOLTS	VOLTS	VOLTS	SCCM		
2/6	1634	20	70	60	2.5	21	73	71	1.2	.5	1417	219	73	10	.967	286	211	206	264	50	6.82	1.701	1.719	1.725	1.674	1380		
2/7	1658	20	70	58	2.5	21	74	72	1.3	.5	1416	219	73	10	.853	257	178	179	239	50	6.82	1.701	1.720	1.726	1.675	1380		
2/8	1682	20	71	60	2.5	21	74	72	1.3	.5	1415	219	73	10	.855	258	180	180	237	50	6.82	1.700	1.720	1.725	1.675	1380		
2/10	1730	20	72	60	2.5	21	74	73	1.3	.5	1424	225	75	10	.786	242	164	163	217	50	6.82	1.700	1.719	1.725	1.676	1380		
2/11	1754	20	72	60	2.5	21	74	73	1.3	.5	1435	232	77	10	.765	237	160	159	209	50	6.82	1.701	1.719	1.726	1.677	1380		
2/12	1778	20	72	60	2.5	20	74	73	1.3	.5	1439	232	77	10	.791	240	169	160	214	50	6.82	1.701	1.720	1.727	1.677	1380 9V		
2/13	1802	20	70	60	1.0	20	74	72	1.3	.5	1380	158	53	10	.861	261	182	178	240	50	6.82	1.701	1.717	1.725	1.676	1380		
2/14	1826	20	70	60	1.0	21	74	72	1.3	.5	1380	176	58.5	10	.795	240	165	175	215	50	6.82	1.701	1.718	1.725	1.677	1380		
2/17	1898	20	70	60	1.0	20	74	72	1.3	.5	1385	180	60	10	.858	246	187	197	228	50	6.82	1.701	1.718	1.725	1.677	1380		
2/18	1922	20	72	60	1.0	20	76	75	1.3	.5	-	-	-	10	.382	126	066	072	118	50	6.90	1.72	1.73	1.75	1.70	1380 9		
2/19	1946	20	71	60	1.0	21	76	74	1.3	.5	1400	194	64.7	10	.849	235	184	200	230	50	6.80	1.700	1.718	1.720	1.674	1380		
2/20	1970	20	71	60	1.0	21	76	74	1.3	.5	1400	190	63.3	10	.840	230	186	199	225	50	6.80	1.698	1.710	1.718	1.674	1380 10		
2/21	1994	20	70	60	1.0	20	74	71	1.3	.5	1409	60	40	5	1.89	509	449	454	480	50	6.78	1.692	1.706	1.714	1.673	1380		
2/22	2018	20	69	60	1.0	20	73	71	1.3	.5	1410	60	40	5	1.84	503	434	436	467	50	6.78	1.691	1.706	1.714	1.673	1380		
2/24	2046	20	69	60	1.0	21	73	71	1.3	.5	1418	64	43	5	1.72	479	404	398	434	50	6.79	1.694	1.707	1.714	1.674	1380		
2/25	2090	20	70	60	1.0	20	73	71	1.3	.5	1420	66	44	5	1.66	471	387	378	422	50	6.79	1.693	1.708	1.715	1.674	1380		
2/26	2114	20	71	60	1.0	21	74	71	1.3	.5	1422	66	44	5	1.67	476	389	377	426	50	6.79	1.695	1.708	1.715	1.674	1380		
2/27	2138	20	71	60	1.0	21	74	71	1.3	.5	1420	66	44	5	1.66	475	384	371	425	50	6.79	1.695	1.708	1.715	1.674	1380 11V		
2/28	2162	20	70	60	1.0	21	75	73	1.3	.5	1410	114	54	7	1.34	372	319	309	337	50	6.79	1.694	1.707	1.714	1.674	1380		
3/3	2234	20	76	60	1.0	21	81	78	1.3	.5	1440	149	70.7	7	.977	304	214	203	256	50	6.84	1.706	1.720	1.735	1.682	1380		
3/4	2258	20	71	60	1.0	20	75	73	1.3	.5	1440	126	60	7	1.27	360	291	296	326	50	6.82	1.700	1.713	1.725	1.677	1380		

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		FLOW	TEMP	D.P.	P <sub>O2</sub>	%O <sub>2</sub>	WVE	HDC	WVE	HDC		HDC	H <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>2</sub> FLOW	CO <sub>2</sub> FLOW	EFF	CURR.	VOLT	029	030	031	032	CURR	VOLT	005	004	003	002	H <sub>2</sub> FLOW		
		SCFM	OF	OF	MMHg	%	OF	OF	PSI	PSI		SCCM	SCCM	%	AMPS	TOTAL WGT.	VOLTS	VOLTS	VOLTS	VOLTS	VOLTS	NR/PS	TOTAL VOLT	VOLTS	VOLTS	VOLTS	VOLTS	SCCM		
3/5	2222	20	70	60	1.0	21	74	72	1.3	.5		1444	126	60.	7	1.26	358	290	292	324	50	6.78	1.691	1.703	1.713	1.671	1380			
3/6	2306	20	71	60	1.0	21	74	72	1.3	.5		1420	126	60.	7	1.25	350	283	290	324	50	6.80	1.695	1.709	1.719	1.675	1380	①		
3/7	2330	20	71	60	1.0	20	75	74	1.3	.5		1320	203	48.9	14	.35	.720	.068	.083	.080	50	6.81	1.698	1.712	1.722	1.676	1380			
3/8	2354	20	71	60	1.0	20	75	74	1.3	.5		1310	214	57.	14	.33	.108	.060	.082	.078	50	6.81	1.697	1.710	1.723	1.677	1380			
3/10	2402	20	71	60	1.0	21	75	74	1.3	.5		1305	220	52.3	14	.33	.091	.072	.091	.081	50	6.80	1.698	1.710	1.720	1.676	1380	②		
3/11	2426	20	71	60	1.0	21	75	74	1.3	.5		1220	231	43.0	18	.28	.088	.058	.087	.060	50	6.80	1.698	1.710	1.721	1.676	1380	③		
3/12	2450	20	71	60	1.0	21	75	74	1.3	.5		1250	221	46.	16	.30	.115	.039	.101	.048	50	6.80	1.697	1.711	1.722	1.674	1380			
3/13	2474	20	73	60	1.0	20	76	74	1.3	.5		1240	221	46	16	.296	.109	.042	.100	.045	50	6.81	1.700	1.713	1.723	1.677	1380			
3/14	2498	20	71	60	2.5	20	75	74	1.3	.5		1400	365	76	16	.32	.090	.068	.091	.072	50	6.82	1.704	1.716	1.726	1.678	1380			
3/15	2522	20	71	60	2.5	20	75	74	1.3	.5		1430	331	78.8	14	.53	.116	.116	.146	.157	50	6.81	1.700	1.711	1.721	1.675	1380			
3/17	2570	20	72	60	2.5	20	75	74	1.3	.5		1410	331	78.8	14	.42	.094	.088	.128	.109	50	6.81	1.704	1.710	1.720	1.675	1380			
3/18	2594	20	71	60	2.5	20	75	74	1.3	.5		1420	340	81.	14	.35	.085	.069	.106	.090	50	6.83	1.710	1.715	1.726	1.678	1380			
3/19	2618	20	74	60	2.5	20	78	76	1.3	.5		1415	340	81.	14	.35	.084	.070	.108	.092	50	6.82	1.709	1.714	1.725	1.677	1380			
3/20	2642	20	73	60	2.5	20	76	74	1.3	.5		1460	146	63.6	7	1.50	.405	.346	.358	.390	50	6.82	1.710	1.714	1.725	1.677	1380			
3/21	2666	20	72	60	2.5	20	76	74	1.3	.5		1465	152	72.5	7	1.44	.388	.332	.350	.366	50	6.83	1.710	1.715	1.727	1.677	1380			
3/22	2690	20	72	60	2.5	21	76	73	1.3	.5		1470	159	73.1	7	1.41	.384	.328	.342	.358	50	6.82	1.708	1.713	1.725	1.677	1380			
3/24	2738	20	72	60	2.5	21	76	73	1.3	.5		1460	154	73.1	7	1.38	.377	.320	.336	.348	50	6.83	1.710	1.715	1.727	1.679	1380			
3/25	2762	20	72	60	2.5	21	76	73	1.3	.5		1450	156	74.3	7	1.34	.367	.312	.324	.335	50	6.83	1.711	1.715	1.727	1.679	1380			
3/26	2786	20	72	59	2.5	20	76	74	1.3	.5		1445	154	74.3	7	1.34	.367	.312	.324	.333	50	6.83	1.711	1.715	1.729	1.680	1380			
3/27	2810	20	72	59	2.5	20	76	73	1.3	.5		1450	100	66.6	5	1.86	.500	.442	.444	.475	50	6.84	1.711	1.717	1.730	1.680	1380			
3/27	2816	20	72	59	2.5	20	75	72	1.0	.2		1450	100	66.6	5	1.84	.495	.435	.435	.470	20	6.35	1.580	1.590	1.600	1.580		④		

REMARKS

① INCREASED HDC CURRENT  
To 18 amps AFTER READING

② PLANT FACILITY CHILLED WATER OFF  
REDUCED WVE TO 20 amps TO REDUCE HEAT  
LOAD ON TEST CHAMBER COOLANT UNIT.  
RETURNED TO 50amps 3/31/75

③ INCREASED HDC CURRENT  
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		FLOW	TEMP	D.P.	PO <sub>2</sub>	%O <sub>2</sub>	WVE	HDC	WVE	HDC	PSI	PSI	INLET FLOW	CO <sub>2</sub> REMOVAL	EFF	CURR.	VOLT	029	033	031	032	CURR	VOLT	005	004	003	002	
	HRS	SCFM	OF	OF	MMHG	%	OF	OF	PSI	PSI			SCCM	SCCM	%	AMPS	TOTAL VOLT	VOLTS	VOLTS	VOLTS	VOLTS	HMPS	TOTAL VOLT	VOLTS	VOLTS	VOLTS	VOLTS	SCCM
3/28	2834	20	73	59	2.5	20	74	74	1.0	.2			530	90	60.	5	1.67	437	396	399	440	20	6.37	1.583	1.590	1.608	1.588	500
3/29	2858	20	73	60	2.5	20	74	73	1.0	.2			520	90	60.	5	1.63	425	386	392	428	20	6.37	1.584	1.591	1.609	1.588	500
3/31	2906	20	72	59	2.5	20	74	73	1.0	.2			590	98	65	5	1.54	405	366	368	402	20	6.37	1.584	1.592	1.609	1.589	500
3/31	2908	20	72	59	2.5	20	76	73	1.3	.5			1440	108	72	5	1.68	453	395	407	425	50	6.80	1.703	1.703	1.719	1.675	1380
4/1	2932	20	70	60	2.5	20	75	73	1.3	.5			1450	110	73.4	5	1.63	467	390	400	427	50	6.82	1.708	1.708	1.723	1.676	1380
4/2	2956	20	71	60	2.5	20	75	73	1.3	.5			1445	109	72.7	5	1.46	460	386	395	424	50	6.83	1.711	1.711	1.726	1.678	1380
4/3	2980	20	71	59	2.5	21	75	73	1.3	.5			1460	240	80.	10	.914	250	205	221	238	50	6.83	1.711	1.712	1.727	1.678	1380
4/4	3004	20	73	58	2.5	21	76	74	1.3	.5			1465	240	80	10	.840	228	186	211	215	50	6.84	1.714	1.714	1.730	1.679	1380
4/5	3028	20	74	58	2.5	21	77	75	1.3	.5			1450	240	80	10	.824	221	182	211	212	50	6.84	1.714	1.716	1.732	1.680	1380
4/7	3076	20	74	58	1.0	21	77	75	1.3	.5			1390	202	67.3	10	.948	250	228	230	240	50	6.84	1.714	1.716	1.733	1.681	1380
4/8	3100	20	73	58	1.0	20	76	74	1.3	.5			1410	210	70.	10	.856	220	212	216	208	50	6.85	1.716	1.718	1.735	1.683	1380
4/9	3124	20	72	60	1.0	20	75	74	1.3	.5			1425	219	73	10	.829	212	200	212	205	50	6.84	1.715	1.717	1.733	1.682	1380
4/10	3148	20	71	58	3.0	20	75	73	1.3	.5			1460	258	86	10	.948	240	212	243	253	50	6.85	1.716	1.717	1.733	1.683	
4/11	3172	20	72	59	3.0	20	76	74	1.3	.5			1455	252	84	10	.926	232	206	240	248	50	6.85	1.717	1.719	1.734	1.683	
4/12	3196	20	72	59	3.0	20	77	75	1.3	.5			1460	265	88	10	.900	220	198	232	240	50	6.84	1.716	1.716	1.732	1.681	
4/14	3244	20	70	60	3.0	20	74	71	1.3	.5			1450	111	74	5	1.77	470	413	427	457	50	6.85	1.717	1.717	1.731	1.683	
4/15	3268	20	72	59	3.0	21	76	73	1.3	.5			1470	117	78	5	1.69	450	400	406	432	50	6.86	1.720	1.720	1.735	1.684	
4/16	3292	20	70	60	3.0	20	75	73	1.3	.5			1440	361	86	14	.948	.117	.095	.123	.123	50	6.87	1.724	1.722	1.734	1.685	
4/17	3316	20	72	59	3.0	20	76	74	1.3	.5			1495	377	89.7	14	.399	.097	.096	.108	.098	50	6.87	1.725	1.723	1.736	1.686	
4/18	3340	20	73	59	3.0	21	77	75	1.3	.5			1470	380	90.5	14	.326	.084	.080	.082	.080	50	6.87	1.725	1.724	1.738	1.686	(15)
4/19	3364	20	112	68	3.0	21	115	112	1.3	.5						18						50	7.08	1.762	1.766	1.810	1.717	(16)

REMARKS

(15) 4/18/75 - ONTIME 3343 SYSTEM OPERATED AT 18 AMPS (HDC) WITH ONE NA ON & 5 SEC OFF BUT DRAINING 18 HMPS AT ALL TIME.

(16) 4/19/75 - RIG COOLANT UNIT MALFUNCTIONED ALLOWING TEMP. TO RISE. NOTE NO H<sub>2</sub> CROSS OVER. HDC POWER TO COOL TO CENTRAL. SHUT SYSTEM DOWN UNTIL REPAIRING 4/21/75 AT 1030 HRS.

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DATE	ON TIME	INLET AIR CONDITIONS					AIR TEMPERATURE		H. BODY DEVS.		HDC PERFORMANCE										WVE PERFORMANCE						
		FLOW	TEMP	D.P.	P.O.	%O <sub>2</sub>	WVE	HDC	WVE	HDC	12.5% CO <sub>2</sub> FLOW	CO <sub>2</sub> FLOW	EFF	CURR	VOLT	O <sub>2</sub>	...	...	...	...	CURR	VOLT	...	...	...	...	...
	HRS	SCFM	OF	OF	MMHG	%	OF	OF	PSI	PSI	SCCM	SCCM	%	AMPS	TOTAL VOLT	VOLTS	VOLTS	VOLTS	VOLTS		AMPS	TOTAL VOLT	VOLTS	VOLTS	VOLTS	VOLTS	SCCM
4/21	3369	20	70	60	3.0	21	74	73	1.3	.5	1365	389	72.	18	660	200	171	183	106	50	6.92	1.725	1.741	1.765	1.693		
4/22	3385	20	70	60	5.0	21	74	73	1.3	.5	1360	399	73.9	18	619	165	168	184	102	50	6.88	1.720	1.726	1.748	1.687		
4/23	3409	20	70	58	3.0	20	73	72	1.3	.5	1365	400	74.	18	498	122	146	130	050	50	6.89	1.726	1.730	1.752	1.690		
4/24	3433	20	70	59	5.0	20	75	74	1.3	.5	1370	402	74.3	18	456	110	138	148	060	50	6.90	1.730	1.733	1.756	1.691		
4/25	3457	20	70	59	5.0	20	75	74	1.3	.5	1370	400	74.	18	492	110	130	147	055	50	6.91	1.730	1.734	1.754	1.690		
4/28	3529	20	70	60	5.0	20	75	74	1.3	.5	1375	397	73.5	18	443	100	133	145	065	50	6.89	1.727	1.730	1.747	1.688		
4/29	3553	20	70	59	3.0	20	74	72	1.3	.5	1370	400	74.	18	445	105	135	143	062	50	6.89	1.727	1.731	1.746	1.689		
4/30	3577	20	70	59	3.0	20	74	72	1.3	.5	1360	397	73.5	18	442	100	133	146	064	50	6.88	1.725	1.730	1.744	1.688		

SYSTEM SHUT DOWN - START REFORBISHMENT FOR SHIPMENT

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